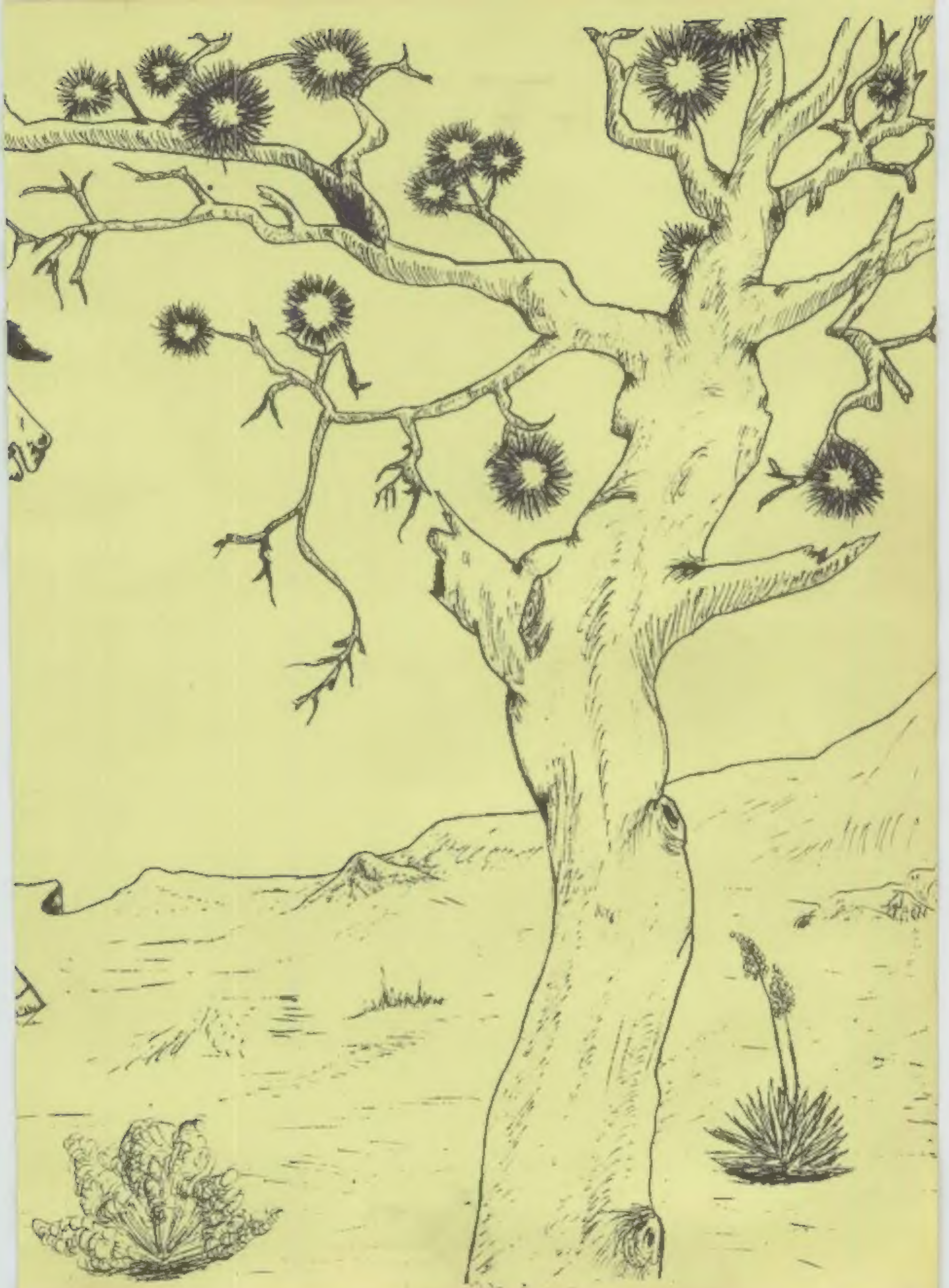




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NORTHERN YUMA COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Parker, Arizona

Helping To Build our Future

WE, THE STAFF of the 1955 *La Rcata*, are proud to dedicate this annual to the new, growing N.Y.C.U.H.S. and have chosen this picture of our new gymnasium to represent this growth.





BY GUS TORRES

Administration and Faculty

Courtesy of E. V. and Sam Haydis



Board of Education

PICTURED ABOVE are board members Mrs. E. V. Haydis and husband; Frank Maddox and wife; Troy Blanton and wife; and Granville Fuqua and wife. Not shown is Mrs. Dorothy Anderson.



ROSS P. MOORE
Superintendent

MR. MOORE came to N.Y.C.U.H.S. at the beginning of this year as principal of the high school. However, with the addition of the new Salome high school, Mr. Moore became Superintendent of Schools.

Among his accomplishments, Mr. Moore is credited with securing a badly needed *new gymnasium*, and many other general improvements to the school.



Mr. Courtney, Poston route.



Mr. Mitchell, Salome, Wenden bus route.

Custodians

NO PICTURE : *Mr. Penix, Valley bus route.*

Mrs. Payton, Janitress.



Mrs. Barnes, Janitress.





Faculty

OF N.Y.C.U.H.S.

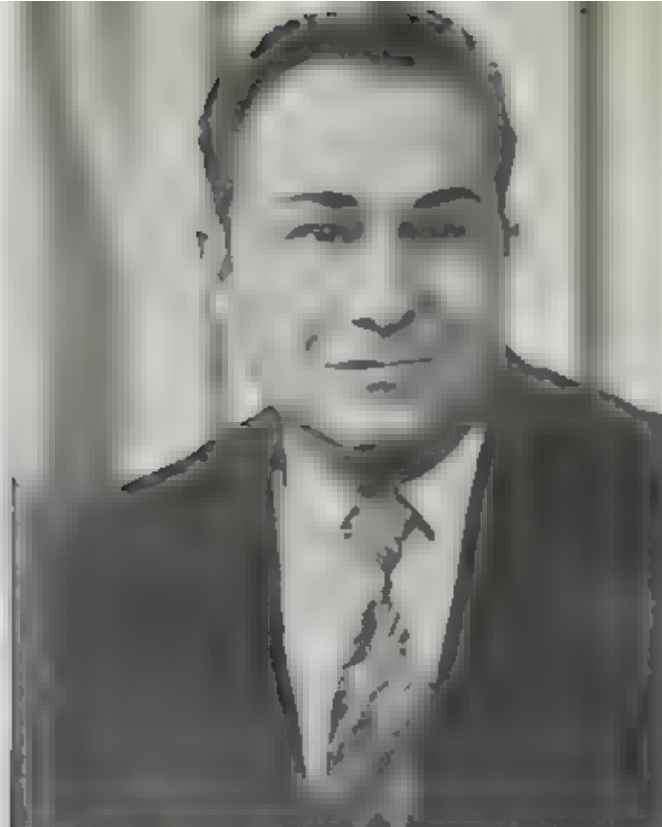


MR. MOORE
Superintendent

MISS ADKINS
Secretary to Mr. Moore



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JOSE BERNAL
Shop
Mechanical Drawing



GEORGE GUTIERREZ
Spanish
Physical Education



DAN BULLARD
Typing
General Business
Advanced Business



A. J. LAUGHLIN
English
Journalism



RICHARD GODSELL
Band
Driver's Training
Music Appreciation
English



MIGUEL MUNOZ
Math

Courtesy of
Parker Commercial Company



ROBERT PRESTON
American History
Orientation



HOWARD RIDGEWAY
Science
Office Practice



ANNE WITZLEBEN
Commercial Courses



WILLIAM W. WILSON
Physical Education
Constitution
Senior Problems

Not Pictured

MARJORIE LEECH
Home Economics

RAYMOND GREENE
English
Journalism

DUANE PATTON
Agriculture

GRACE WOODFORD
Algebra
Library
Chorus
English

*Courtesy of Jack Garner and Sons,
and Wayne's General Merchandise*



Student Council

LEADING THIS YEAR'S student council were Mike Allen, as *President*, Norma Baldrige, as *Vice-President*, Berja Benefield as *Secretary*, and Gloria Martinez as *Treasurer*. We thank them all for doing such a wonderful job!

There were also 13 other members of the Student Council who came as class representatives and representatives of various school organizations.

This year the Council sponsored a Homecoming Game and Dance for the Alumni, a Moving Up Day, and an All School Picnic. Also many improvements in the school and the behaviour of the Students were made.

The Student Council of 1954-55 leaves quite a job to the Council of next year, but we know they will do as fine a job as this year's Council has done.

Seniors





Seniors

THE SENIOR CLASS of 1955 that had a total of 41 members whizzed through their last year of high school quite successfully. With Ed Moritz, *President*, Gerald Williams, *Vice-President*, and Carol Bowman, *Secretary-Treasurer* to lead them, they started a new tradition of Senior sweaters and pins, put on several dances, had a Ditch Day that cost the school nothing, and established a Senior Memorial to the school.

As they look back on their school career, they feel a little sad at leaving, but are happy to get out on their own.



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MICHAEL ALLEN

Band 1234, La Reata 3, Dance Club 12, Student Council 4, Student Body President 4, A.A.S.C. Convention 1954-4, Chess Club 123, Tennis Club 134, A.S.C. Music Camp 134, Honor Roll 134, Class Plays 123.

RUFINA BERNAL

Glee Club 23, Loudspeaker Assistant Editor 3, Class Plays 3, A.S.C. Music Camp 3, Pom Pon Girls 34, Girls Basketball team 1 P.U.H.S., Girls Athletic Association 1 P.U.H.S., Pep Club 1 P.U.H.S.



HUBBARD ALLEN

Photography 1234.

BEVERLY BLOOMFIELD

Glee Club 1234, Dance Club 1, Leathercraft Club 13, Honor Roll 1234, Class Play 23, 4-H Club 1.



BERTA BENEFIELD

Class Officer 2, Band 1, Glee Club 123, La Reata 3, Homecoming Princess 2, Dance Club 1, "Junior Miss" 3, "Father of the Bride" 4, Student Body Secretary 4, Girls State 3, Cheerleader 123.



CAROL BOWMAN

Class Officer 34, Band 1, Glee Club 123, La Reata 34, La Reata Editor 4, Homecoming Princess 4, Leathercraft Club 2, "Jenny Kissed Me" 2, Student Council 4, Class Plays 23, A.S.C. Music Camp 123, Honor Roll 14.





EVA BURGOZ
Loudspeaker 34, Photography 1,
Carnival Princess 3, Girls Bas-
ketball team 123, Class Plays
123, Loudspeaker Editor 4, Pom
Pon Girl 3

FRANCES CASTRO
Glee Club 124, Leathercraft
Club 12, Dressing Club 12,
Honor Roll 12 Cheerleader 2
Class Plays 12



ALICE CANLAS
Dance Club 3, Dance Club 1,
Class Plays 1, Class Plays 3,
Girls Basketball 2, Girls Basketball
2, Honor Roll 23

ADRIAN FISHER
Band 1234, Letterman's Club
234 Student Council 4 Football
123, Basketball 123, Basketball
Manager 4, FFA, Officer 23
Pep Band 4



ERNEST CAMPAS
Letterman's Club 34, Leather-
craft Club 2, Varsity Football
34, Varsity Basketball 34, J.V.
Basketball 2, Tennis Club 2,
Class Plays 4

DENISE GALLAHER
Glee Club 1234, Dance Club 1,
Leathercraft Club 3, Photog-
raphy 2





NORMA HALL

Glee Club 123, Dance Club 12
Dramatic Club 1, Majorette 12
Honor Court 3, Class Play
Tennis Club 3, Honor Roll 1



BOB LANGENDORF

Band 1, Loudspeaker 4, La Re
ata 4, Letterman's Club 34, Boys
Chorus 3, Rock Hounds Club 1,
Chess Club 4, Class Plays 123,
Football 3, Baseball 1



JAMES HAMILTON

School Paper 12, Santa Clara
Calif., Letterman's Club 1
Club 3, "Father of the Bride
4, Track 12 Fremont, Calif.,
Service Club Officer 4



MARVIN HOLT

Photography 3, Class Officer 1
Weleetka, Okla., Class Play 2
Weleetka, Okla



GLENDA HOLT

Class Officer 3, Glee Club 3,
Loudspeaker 23, Student Council 3,
Girls Basketball 3 Weleetka, Okla.,
Girls Softball 3 Weleetka, Okla.,
Class Officer 12 Weleetka, Okla.



JOE LATTIE

Band 1234, Dance Club 13,
Photography 1, Pep Band 4,
Boys' Chorus 3, Class Play 3.



DEHLIA MARTINEZ

Loudspeaker 3, Homecoming Princess 3, 4-H Club 12, Class Play 3



EDWARD MORITZ

Class Officer 124, Band 24, Pep Band 24, Lat Beats 34, Lettermans Club 34, Photography 2, Honor Court 4, Dramatics Club 12, "Father of the Bride" 1, Student Council 4, Class Play 4, Chess Club 1234, Honor Roll 124, Varsity Basketball 34, Varsity Football 34, JV Basketball 2, Boys State 3, A.S.C. Music Camp 34, A.S.C. Convention 1955



GLORIA MARTINEZ

Class Officer 123, Glee Club 123, Lat Beats 3, H. 1, Dance Club 12, Dramatics Club 1, Student Body Officer 4, Carnival Princess 2, Girls State 1, Cheerleader



BENNY McCABE

Lettermans Club 234, Dance Club 3, Photography 1, Basketball Varsity 234, Baseball Varsity 12, Sports Club 1, Varsity Football 4, F.F.A. Officer 34, Service Club 4



VERNA MASSINGILL

Glee Club 123, Loudspeaker 1, 2, 3, Loudspeaker Editor 4, Letter 1, Dance Club 13, "Father of the Bride" 3, "Father of the Bride" 4, Class Play 2



BETTY LEE OROSCO

Loudspeaker 3, Dance Club 2, Class Play 3, 4-H Club 1



MAXINE POLACCA

Band 1, Glee Club 134, Loudspeaker 4, La Reata 4, Leathercraft Club 3, Photography 1, Class Play 2.



FRED RUSSELL

Band 4, Homecoming Prince, Pep Band 4, Football 3 San Luis Obispo, Calif., Track 3 San Luis Obispo, Calif., Basketball 2 Bak, Calif., San Luis Obispo, Calif., Track 4.



REBA MAE POWELL

Band 1, Glee Club 1, Leathercraft Club 1.



MORRIS SKVADA

La Reata 4, Homecoming Prince 4, Letterman's Club 1234, Dance Club 13, Student Council 1, Football 1, Basketball 234, Baseball 134, Sports Club 1, Letterman's Club Officer 4, F. A. Officer 4.



MARILYN ROBINSON

Glee Club 123, La Reata 4, Dance Club 1, Leathercraft Club 3, Photography 1, Rock Club 1.



LYDIANN SHIELDS

Glee Club 1234, Dance Club 3, Dramatic Club 1, Home Room Cheerleader 1, Pom Pom Head 1, Cheer 4, Yellow Jackets Club 3, Home Room Treasurer 1.



GUS TORRES
Loudspeaker 34, La Reata 4,
Lettermans Club 1



ANNA M. WILKINSON
Glee Club 1234, Loudspeaker 3,
Dance Club 123, Photography
1, "Father of the Family" Stu-
dent Council 1, L. A. V. Club
leader 1, Var. Club member 1,
Tom Pate Leader 1, Class 123



GERALD WILLIAMS
Class Officer 34, Leathercraft
Club 2, Photography 3, Student
Council 34

We Present . . .

BERNARDO BERNAL
FFA 34

KATHERINE EDWARDS
Band 12, Glee Club 12, Loudspeaker
3, La Reata 4, Dance Club 12, Pho-
tography 1

LE ROY ESWONIA
Letterman's Club 1234, Leathercraft
Club 2, Student Council 4, Football
1234, Baseball 1, Basketball 12, Sports
Club 1, FFA, Officer 34, Letter-
man's Club Officer 4.

THEO McSHANE
Glee Club 123, Homecoming 1234, 5,
Leathercraft 3, Letterman's Club 123,
Kissed Me 2, L. A. V. Club 1, Class
Play 3, Honor Roll 12.

Class Will

WE, THE CLASS OF 1955, will soon be leaving the hallowed halls of N.Y.C.U.H.S. Upon our departure we must leave behind many dear things that we cannot take out into the world with us, so we leave them to our successors to cherish and take care of.

We, the Class of 1955, do bequeath to all Senior classes to come our Senior area to use and to add on to.

INDIVIDUAL BEQUESTS:

I, *Berta Benefield*, will *Richard Vanegas* to no one

I, *Theo McShane*, will the Juniors everything they want for they will need it.

I, *Joe Lattie*, will my sister *Pat* my ability to never have any homework

I, *Morris Secula Jr.* will all the pretty Freshman and Junior girls to *Jackie Welsh*.

I, *Benny McCabe*, will to anyone who can use it my ability to be absent and tardy and get away with it.

I, *James Hamilton*, will all sores to *Bob Owings*.

I, *Ernest Campas*, will *Jane McCabe* to nobody.

I, *Norma Hall*, will to the unfortunate Juniors my Constitution work books.

I, *Betty Orasco*, will *Tommy Martinez* to *Bunky Johnson*.

I, *Hubbard Allen*, will to *Berkeley Rourke* my ability to be a monster in Senior Problems class.

I, *Eva Burgoz*, will to *Robert Begay* my initiative to come and work on the Loudspeaker every night.

I, *Beverly Bloomfield*, will my good grades to *Jack Johnson*.

I, *Bernardo Bernal*, will my beautiful wavy hair to *Richard Vanegas*.

I, *Carol Bowman*, will my sympathy to next year's Senior class Secretary.

I, *Sheila Smith*, will all the Juniors to get their diplomas no matter what.

I, *Adrian Fisher*, will my different colored denims to *Timothy Alcaula*

I, *Denise Callaher*, will *Ruby Coburn* my ability to be quiet at certain times.

I, *Bob Langendorf*, will my ability to write a legible hand to anybody who needs it.

I, *Maxine Polacca*, will to all the students in the school my record of good attendance.

I, *Reba Powell*, will my ability to play volley ball to *Betty Richardson* until she learns how to.

I, *Frances Castro*, will my ability to giggle in class to anyone who can get away with it.

I, *Marilyn Robinson*, will my seat on the bus by the heater to anyone who can get it.

I, *Lydiann Shields*, will my ability to always talk at the wrong time to anyone who can stay alive and do it

I, *Ann Wilkinson*, will *Mr. Ridgeway* to any office practice girl who works on attendance.

I, *Verna Massingill*, will my ability to get by with anything in Senior Problems to anyone who has a big sister.



Marvin Holt



Lella White



Carol Bouman



Norma Hall

Glenda Holt



Bob Langendorf

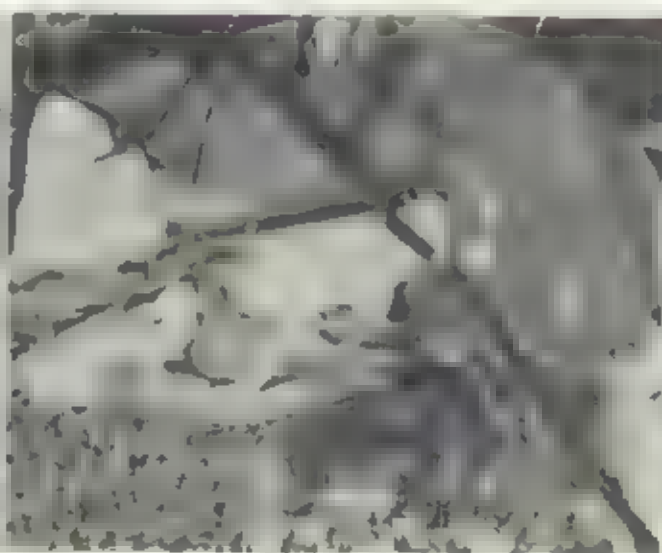


Who?
Guess

Denise Gallaher



Reba Powell



Alice and Earnie Campas



Senior Class History

LOOKING BACK UPON THE YEARS of our school days, the Class of '55 knows that those were their *happiest* days.

To begin with, ten of us, Gus Torres, Ernest Campas, Denise Gallaher, Katherine Edwards, Bob Langendorf, Eva Burgoz, Dehlia Martinez, and Reba Powell entered the first grade together at the Parker Grammar school.

Upon entering the second grade we met Gerald Williams who soon became a member of our happy little group.

When the eager little group entered third grade they encountered Maxine Pollaca, Anna Wilkinson, Theo McShane, and Glen Metzler who enlarged their number greatly.

Fourth grade passed without any new faces. In the fifth grade Carol Bowman appeared among us for the first time. In the sixth grade the class started on a dead run for the sixth grade where we were greeted by Norma Hall and Mike Allen.

When we came into the seventh grade our number was increased considerably by the additions of Berta Benefield, Beverly Bloomfield, Verna Massingill, Morris Sevada and Benny McCabe.

With no new arrivals in the eighth grade we finally graduated into N.Y.C.U.H.S.

Consisting of the largest Freshman Class ever to enter N.Y.C.U.H.S., we welcomed into our numbers many new students from surrounding territory. They were Arlene Holmes, Hubbard Allen, Marilyn Robinson, Betty Orsco, Joe Lattie, Adrian Fisser, and LeRoy Eswoma.

As Sophomores we were happy to greet Rufina and Bernardo Bernal, and Glenda and Marvin Holt into our ranks.

Finally, as Mighty Juniors, who gave a superb Prom and Banquet we welcomed three new additions, Ed Montz, James Hamilton, and Lydiann Shields.

As Seniors we welcomed Leila White, Sheila Smith, and Frances Castro.

So is the brief outline of the graduating class of '55 who will always remember N.Y.C.U.H.S. with fondness.

A Prophecy . .

MY NAME is Katherine Edwards. I'm an investigator for the Bureau of Internal Revenue. My boss is sending me on a trip to check on the tax returns of several people. I hired a baby-sitter for my eight children, kissed my husband goodbye, and boarded a plane for Indianapolis. When I landed I took a taxi for the Indianapolis Speedway where I was to check up on Joe Lattie, winner for seven straight years of the races held at the Speedway. I didn't connect Joe with my old school days until I saw the words *Ad Astra Per Aspera* on his car. Going over his return with him we both decided he should get a refund. I decided to stop in for a drink after my long plane ride. I went into a small tavern. It was all dark except for a small blue spotlight shining on a woman in the middle of the dance floor. She had on a shimmering black dress and was pouring her heart into a blues song. When she was through and the light went on, I recognized her as my old friend Denise Galtier. She spotted me at once and came over to my table. We drank lemonades till my plane time.

Once I was on the plane I forgot everything but checking up on the tax returns. My next stop was Hollywood. My schoolmate Leroy Esworina was a big success. He had six "Oscars" to his credit. His latest picture "Happy Feet" with Betty Grable should earn him a seventh. I drove out to see Leroy and when I saw him I yelled "Hey Tank." Recognizing his old nickname he came running. We talked for a while and as I was leaving a long purple limousine with lime seat-covers came roaring down the street. It screeched to a stop in front of my car and a tall man in a pink chauffeur's uniform stepped out and opened the door. Out jumped a woman dressed in black who began screaming a mile a minute. I put my finger in her mouth to quiet her. She bit me. Then I recognized her. It was Theo McLane. She said she was in mourning for her husband who had died recently. After talking for a while she peeled out and headed for Las Vegas.

Driving to the Hollywood Paladium I saw a mob of teenagers chasing a man who came and jumped in my car. "Get Going," I did. A few blocks away he told me he was Adrien Fisher, #1 U. S. Band Leader. My poor old friend was so close to a nervous breakdown that I drove him to the nearest hospital. A nurse came out and jumped in the car. Sheila Smith, as I live and breathe. Sheila was head nurse at the hospital. Leaving Adrien with her, I took off.

As I approached a stop sign a big truck full of tires rammed into me and smashed my car and threw me into the window of a clothing store. A tall young man came over and apologized for crashing into me. When he handed me his card I saw that he was Marvin Holt. Marvin had bought out Slim's 76 and was doing quite well for himself. A young woman came out and insisted I pay for her windows. It was my old friend Alice Campas. She had bought out Dave's Toggery and now had a chain of clothing stores all over the U. S.

Marvin was still in touch with Gerald Williams who lived in Parker. He had bought the Desert Winds Motel and was living a life of ease. Frances Castro was the local undertaker at Parker and it was said that she had really advanced the town.

... of Days to Come

SINCE I HAD TO FLY TO PHOENIX I decided I should stop in at Parker and see who was left there. I landed at the new modern airport and took a cab to town. I went first to the Desert Winds but Gerald was on vacation in Africa. At the funeral parlor I was told that Frances was in Detroit looking at a new line of hearses. I inquired around and was told that Bernardo Bernal owned a cattle ranch in Texas, half the land in the valley, and at the time, a choice line of Arabian horses.

I went over to NYCUHS to see my old teachers and I was shocked when I discovered that James Hamilton was principal. Morris Sevada was giving lectures to the Ag boys. It seems that he was inspired by his Ag teacher.

I took a cab to the valley and I found that Benny McCabe had taken over Poston and Parker Farms. He had the biggest bunch of wetbacks I ever saw. As Benny was showing me around a woman and two children rode by on horses. Why, that is Carol Bowman, I shouted. Benny said it was, but she had married, had two kids, and a huge stable of horses. Benny told me that Hubbard Allen had bought Parker Dam and was charging people to see it. He was making money. I had ever met Mike. After he bought the pig man, it was growing really. The population was 1,000 and there was even a night club. When Benny spoke of Mike, I naturally thought of Ed Moritz. He was president of the Santa Fe railroad and didn't get to Parker very often.

When I got back to town and stepped out of my cab, I spotted a huge building that was the Parker Pioneer. Eva Burgoz was the Editor. I took the elevator to the top floor and asked to see her. Her secretary told me she was not there. She had flown to South America to check on a revolution that was going on. I didn't recognize the secretary until I got back to Washington. It was Glenda Holt.

I left the Pioneer Building and was going into the drugstore when I heard someone call my name. It was Berta Benefield. She told me she was teaching commercial courses at the Parker Business School. We had a coke and as we were getting up Berta said, "Well here is Anna Wilkinson." Annie looked radiant as she told us she was married and had five children. Just then I saw it was plane time, so I sped to the airport and took off. We had been traveling about a half hour when the stewardess came down the aisle with a tray of salads. She slipped on something and the salads landed in my hair. She brushed me off and apologized. Her voice struck a familiar note in my mind. Here was Betty Orosco, stewardess. We talked until the plane landed in Clint, Texas.

In the taxi on the way to the hotel there was a radio playing western and hillbilly tunes. The announcer said that next would be "In the Jailhouse Now" sung by Lydiann Shields. So Babe was a western singer now.

Outside the hotel a crowd had gathered. In the center of it was a man painting. I asked who this man was and an old woman told me it was Gus Torres, the famous artist. In the lounge of the hotel the television was on. There was a basketball game on at the time, "The Iron Masks" vs. "The Unholy Five." The "Unholy Five" were ahead 78-0. As the camera gave closeups of the players I recognized Verna Massingill, Gloria Martinez, Dehlia Martinez, Leila White, and Norma Hall. The whole team was made up of my former classmates. On the bench sat coach Marilyn Robinson. Coach Robinson was grinning from ear to ear when the game was over. The score was 97-0.

A Prophecy . .

I SAT AT THE BAR sipping a ginger ale watching TV. Next came the Sports Cavalcade. Tonight the Heap was billed to wrestle Gargantua. The Heap entered the ring with a mask over his face. Gargantua entered the ring. They got the preliminaries over with and began wrestling. The Heap threw Gargantua against the ropes. In the end The Heap won, but before he got Gargantua down his mask was pulled off. The Heap was none other than Bob Laregendorf. He was about to make a speech when someone changed the channel so I went up to my room.

As I stood waiting for the elevator a sly looking young man came up to me. "Hsst! Want a hot tip on a fast horse?" I turned around and ignored him. He stood for a long time telling me about the odds on this horse. He was a fast talker. I ended up giving him \$5 to put on Duck Soup. He took the five dollars and as he walked away I suddenly remembered where I had seen him before. It was Fred Russell.

After dinner as I sat listening to the radio a knock came at my door. I opened it and there stood Fred. He handed me \$200. Duck Soup had won by six lengths. The jockey, Reba Powell, fainted at the finish line. So Reba was a jockey. Well well.

Fred left at nine-thirty. As I closed the door behind him I heard a shout and some laughter. Then someone knocked at the door again. I opened it and there stood Fred with a rich looking woman. "Kahna Bernal?" I nearly passed out. She came in and sat down. She was in Texas to check on her oil wells. Her husband, aged 100, had died a year ago and she had been on a tour of the world since then.

She told me she was taking art lessons from Beverly Bloomfield, who was now drawing a comic strip for the New York Times and was illustrating magazine covers and stories.

I had always wondered how Ernie Campas would make out. Rufina said the last she had heard, he was working for the British government in Hong Kong.

We stayed up till nearly dawn talking over old times and then we went down and ate breakfast. As we sat waiting to place our orders a tired looking woman with four children came in and sat down. I recognized her immediately as Arlene Holmes. We told her to leave the kids at her table and come eat with us. She came over and sat down. She told us she was in Texas to check on her husband. He was drilling for oil.

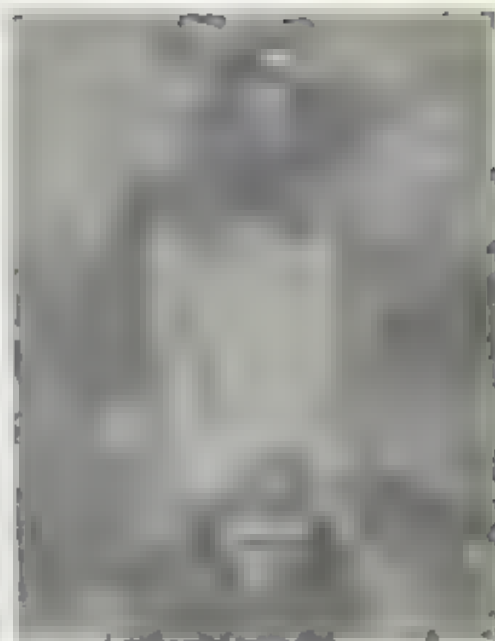
After breakfast everybody went to the airport with me to see me off on my return journey to Washington. As the plane took off, I looked out the window and a tear came to my eye. *Would I ever see my schoolmates again?*



Frances Castro



Gloria Martinez



Anna Wilkerson

Eva Bargo

Guess Who?

Adrian Fisher



Kathy Edwards



Wayne Chastain

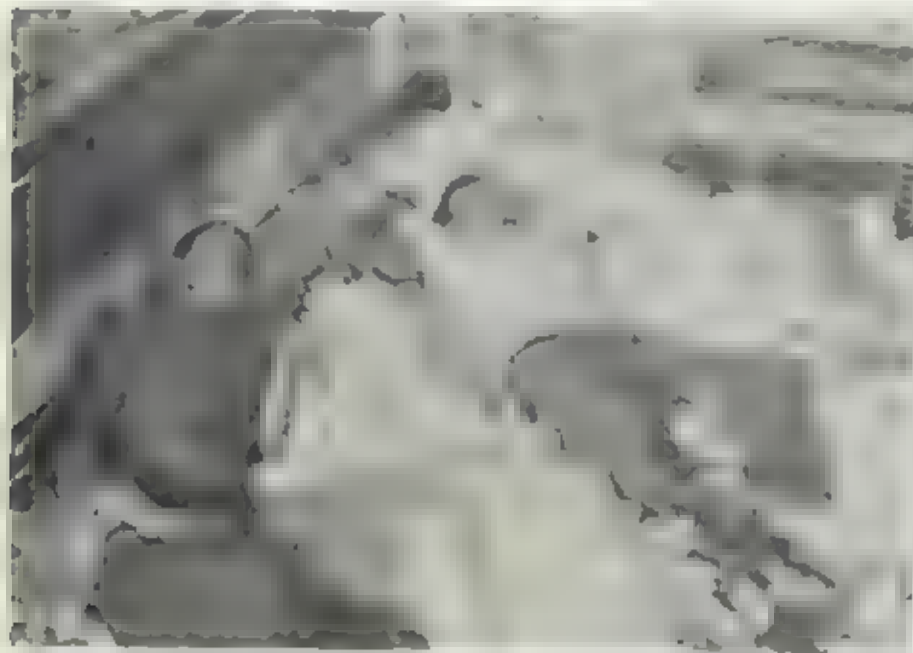




Alfred Salway Homecoming prince



The sad funeral of George Tubby Carter and Mrs. Herkimer



Tired Cottonpickers.



Salad Bowl princess candidates

Joanne James.



The "P" painters.



A Cheerleader



*Courtesy of
Dave Hoeft, Dave's Toggery
and
Johnson Motor Co.*





Juniors

Courtesy of Marston Supply Company



*President Jackie Welsh, Vice-President Pat Lattie, and
Secretary-Treasurer Etta Jo Tiger*

Juniors

THE JUNIORS, with Jackie Welsh, Pat Lattie and Etta Jo Tiger to lead them, had quite a successful year.

They had a Salad Bowl Princess, a good Prom, Junior-Senior Banquet, and many other activities.

Salad Bowl Princess Finalists.



NORMA BALDRIDGE

MARTHA ANTONE

ROSIE BRICE

CHARLOTTE BRADSHAW

MERLE BURTON

JOYCE BURGOZ

DONNA COX

CARLOS COUCH

LINDA DICK

STEVEN COX

*Courtesy of Hailes Barbershop
and Tom Finley*





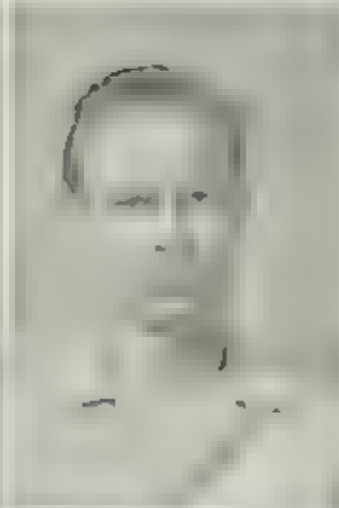
NANCY GARNER



IVAN GONZALES



ELLIOTT HILL



CARLOS HOBSON



BEVERLY JACOBS



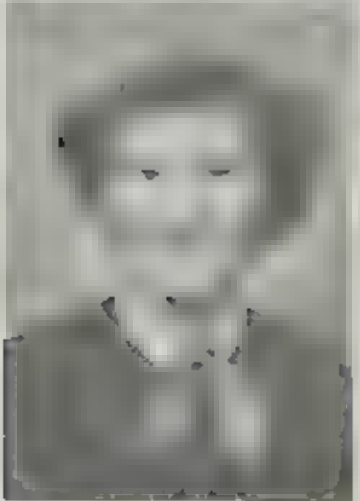
JOANNE JAMES



JACK JOHNSON



LUKE JOHNSON



PAT LATTIE



FRANCES LOVERIDGE

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Hayward Lumber and Investment Company*

DWIGHT LOMAYESVA

DAVID HUNT



MARYLIN MAXWELL

GLEND A MARTIN



RICHARD MOODY

ADOLFO MONTIJO



YVONNE MIKE

RONALD MOORE



DOROTHY RUSHING

MARILYN PARRA





MILDRED SALMANS

LEROY SHONTZ

ETTA JO TIGER

FRANCES TRAINOR

FRED TURK

DANNY McCORMICK

DAVID VANEGAS

RICHARD VANEGAS

JACKIE WELSH

NOT PICTURED:
Robert Begay
Berkeley Rourke



Sophomores



AFTER A FRESHMAN year full of fun such as painting the "P", etc., the class of '37 bloomed into a terrific Sophomore class. Among their numerous activities were the Christmas Formal and a sock-hop which was held after our last basketball game

Ruthie Edwards was President of this enterprising class and was ably assisted by Wayne Crawford and Helen Williams, Vice-President and Secretary respectively



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Sophomores



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Freshmen



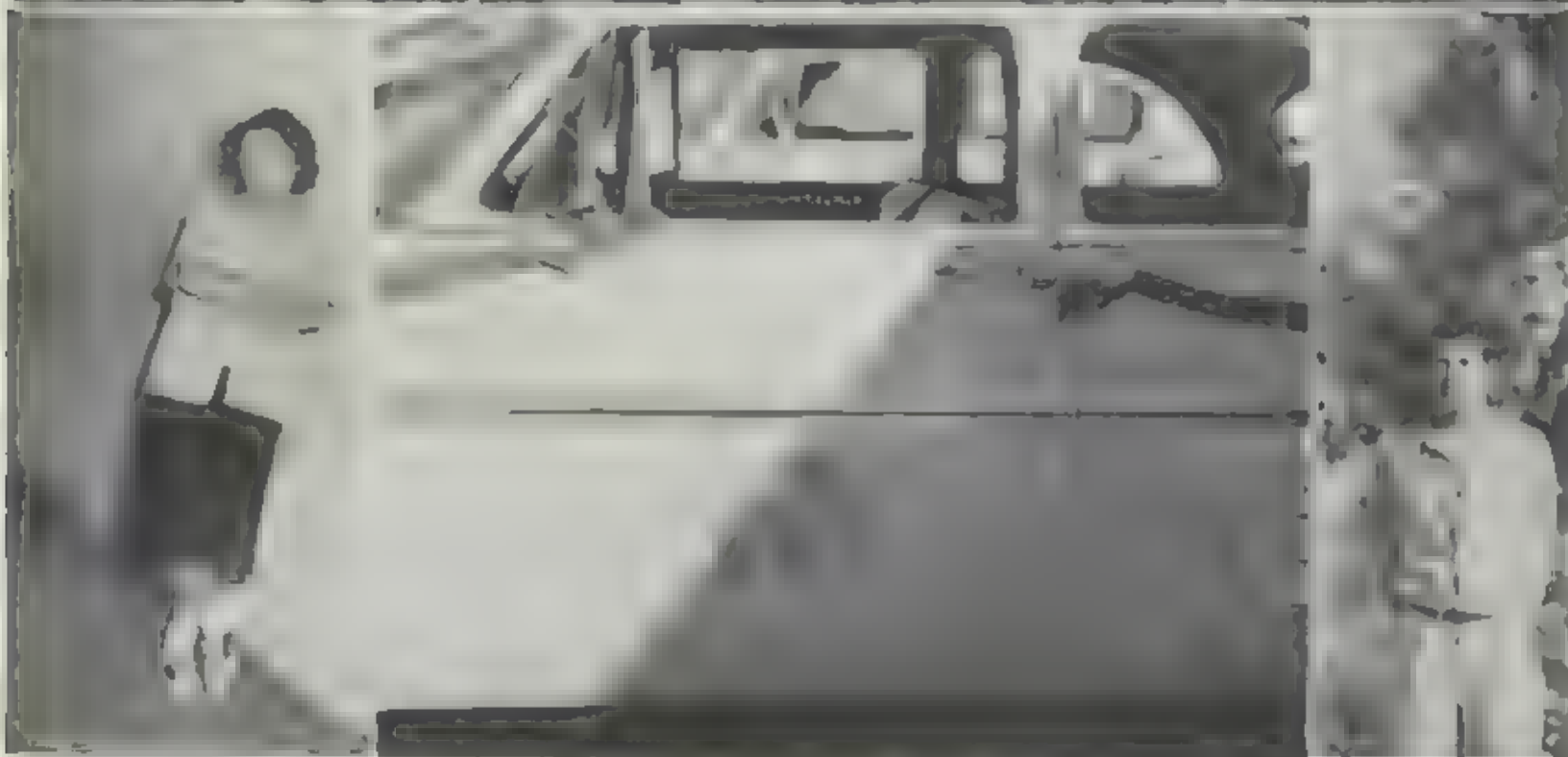




Freshmen

*Courtesy of
Tim Murphy's camp and Tommy Kinder's camp*





TOP ROW: *Left to Right* — Rosie Brice and the blood test man. Gerald Williams in the shop; and Charlotte Bradshaw
 CENTER: *Left to Right* — Eva Burgoz outside Loudspeaker room; Bronc emblem on Homecoming Day; and Mike Allen, student body president
 BOTTOM: *At Left* — Coach Wilson, and *at Right* — Merle Burton during P.E.



Snap



Must be a
Sun Holster



OFFICERS. Ed Moritz, *President*, Mike Allen, *Vice-President*, and Francis Castro, *Secretary*

Chess Club

EVEN THOUGH they had but one returning letterman, Ed Moritz, and one other player from last year's top ten, Mike Allen, the Chess club is looking forward to a good showing in the State Tournament in May. Berkley Rourke, Fred Turk, Bill Moritz, Frances Castro, Mike Allen, and Ed Moritz were this year's top six and will go to the Tournament



*Courtesy of
Austin and Martha Haydis*



Lettermen

THE LETTERMAN'S CLUB was well led this year with Richard Vanegas as *President*, Leroy Esmonia as *Vice-President*, and Morris Sevucla as *Secretary-Treasurer*.

The Club had quite a successful year with a Football Banquet held at the River Lodge and a large initiation which was held at the end of the year.

Although six Senior Lettermen are leaving the ranks this year, quite a large number of lowerclassmen remain to return and carry on the good work.



Courtesy of Fannin's Gas & Equipment Company



THERE WERE so many girls with beautiful voices at NYCUHS this year that Miss Woodford had to have two sessions instead of one

The Glee Club outdid itself again in the Christmas Cantata and was ably accompanied all year by Marvlin Maxwell

Courtesy of City Drug Co.



Glee Club



*Courtesy of
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and
"Ski with us at Big Bend"*

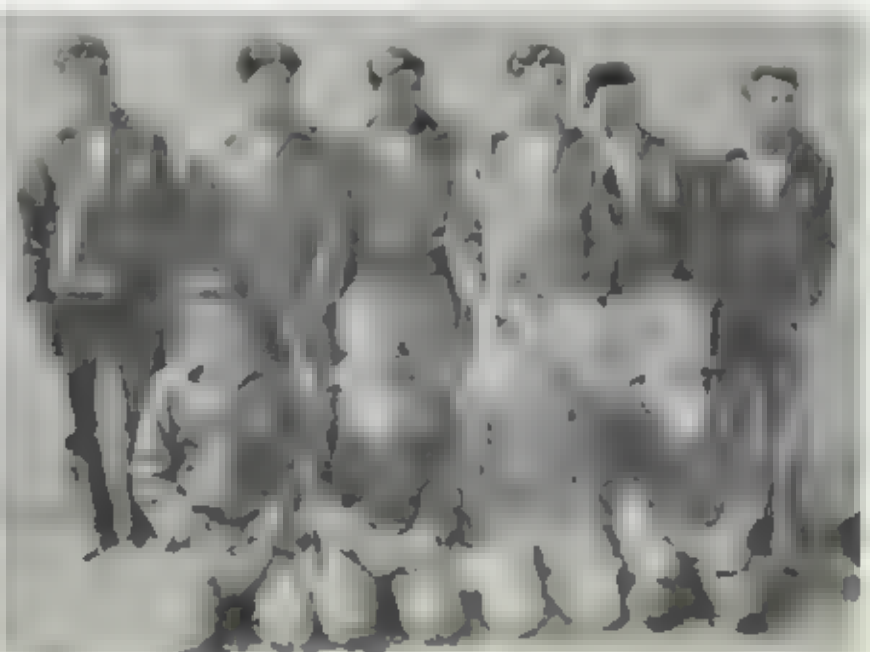


F. F. A.

THIS YEAR with LeRoy Lawson as President, Benny McCabe as Vice President, Morris Sevada as Secretary, Timothy Alcaida as Treasurer, David Vanegas as Reporter, and Darryl Hogan as Sentinel the F.F.A. had quite a busy time

They chose pretty Norma Baldrige as their F. F. A. Sweetheart and presented her with a white F.F.A. jacket

With a basketball team and a softball team as extracurricular activities, Mr. Patton, their F.F.A. advisor, and the boys had a successful organization that was even represented in the Student Council





NORMA BALDRIDGE,
Parker F.F.A. Sweetheart.



Advisor, Mr. Greene, and Editors Eva Burgoz and Verna Massingill.

Loudspeaker

WITH MR. GREEN advising them, and Eva Burgoz and Verna Massingill as Managing Editors, the *Loudspeaker* became an outstanding paper. On the staff were: Lydiann Shields, Maxine Polacca, Verna Massingill, Eva Burgoz, Bob Langendorf, Deanna Matthews, Ruthy Edwards, Leila White, and James Hamilton.





Mr. Laughlin, *Advisor*, and Carol Bowman, *Editor*.

La Reata

WITH MR. LAUGHLIN as *Advisor*, and Carol Bowman as *Editor*, the LA REATA turned out the biggest yearbook ever published by N.Y.C.U.H.S. this year. On the staff were Ed Moritz, *Assistant Editor*; Verna Massingill, *Business Manager*; Catherine Edwards, Bobby Langendorf, Morris Sevada, Frances Castro, Ruthy Edwards, and Maxine Polacca.

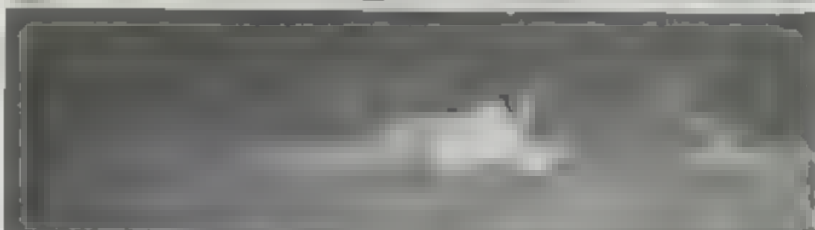


Class Room



Scenes

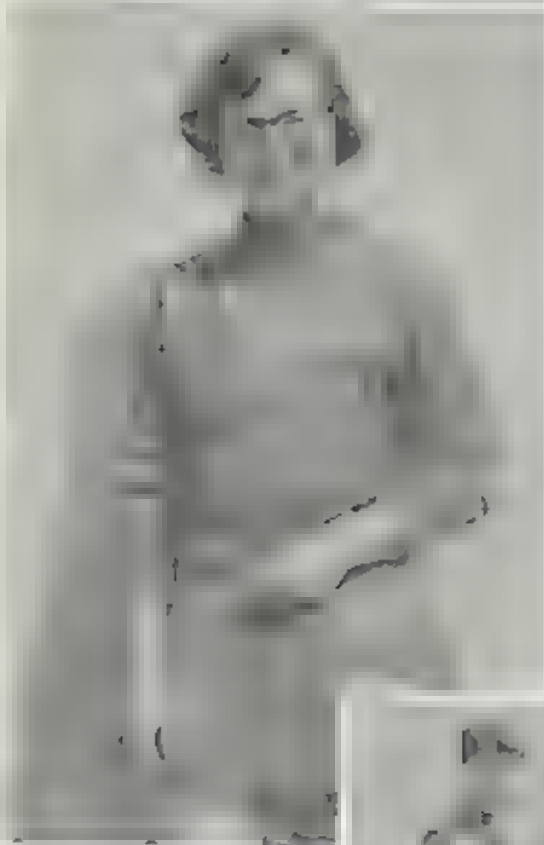
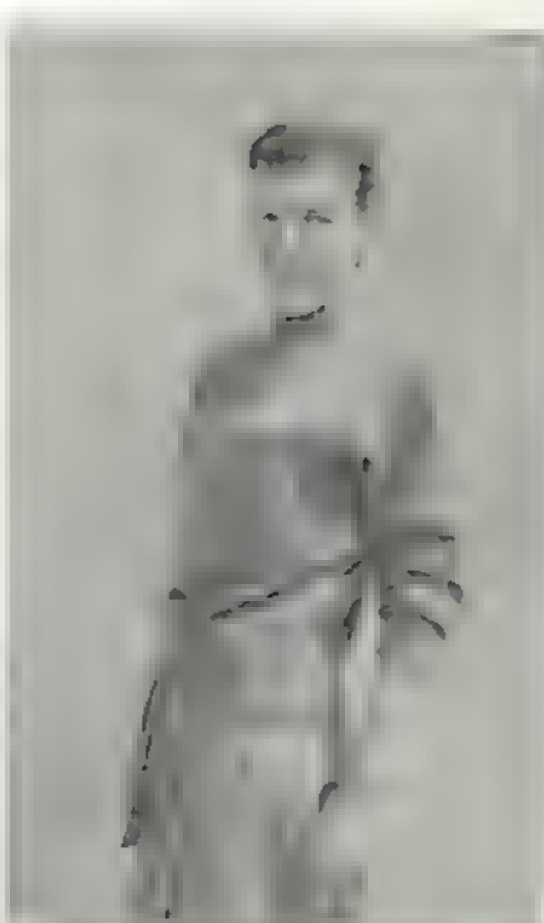




TOP ROW: *Left to Right* — Freshmen and Sophomores at Black Mountain Homecoming Princess' car
 SECOND ROW: *From Left* — George and Mrs. Herkimer's funeral; Ed Moritz, Mike Allen and Adrian Fisher
 THIRD ROW: *From Left* — Coaches Wilson and Gutierrez; Johnny Johnson at the Homecoming game
 BOTTOM: *At Left* — Tino Leon; *at Right* — Nancy Garner



*Courtesy of
 The Parker Pioneer*



Cheerleaders

THIS YEAR'S cheerleaders were one of the peppiest bunches ever seen around NYC UHS. The cheerleaders this year were Ruthv Edwards, Doris Price, Glenda Martin, Nancy Garner, and Anna Wilkinson who was elected Head Cheerleader.





School Life

Homecoming



Homecoming





AFTER THE TEACHERS and Mr. MacFarlane completed the preliminary judging, only five princesses and four princes remained for the final selection of the students. *The girls were:* Mildred Salmans, Norma Baldrige, Carol Bowman, Gloria Martinez, and Shirley Campas. *The boys were:* Berkeley Rourke, Richard Vanegas, Fred Russell, and Ivan Gonzales

In the suspense of the halftime darkness the crowd was pleasantly surprised to discover Queen Gloria and King Richard when the lights flicked on





Homecoming

HOME COMING DAY activities were started off by a big bonfire and pep rally held at the Boat Landing on the night before the game.

Next day at noon the school paraded through town with gaily decorated cars, pickups, buses, and trucks.

All afternoon the Alumni roamed through the school and visited classes and their old teachers.

After the game that night a big Homecoming dance was held in the Auditorium and was enjoyed by all.



Must Be A Road Block!!

Courtesy of the Parker Theater



Christmas Formal

EACH YEAR the sophomore class presents a formal or semi formal dance just before Christmas. This year it was quite a success. The theme was "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" and the Al Davis Band provided the music. The teachers put on quite a show of dancing and everyone had a good time.



Courtesy of Bonnie's Cafe and R. W. West and Son



Service Club

THIS YEAR something new, a Service Club for Junior and Senior boys, was organized. David Vanegas was elected president. The club consists of approximately fourteen members who have been selected with care from their classes. The duties are such as serving the school, and helping in any way they can in school or community affairs.

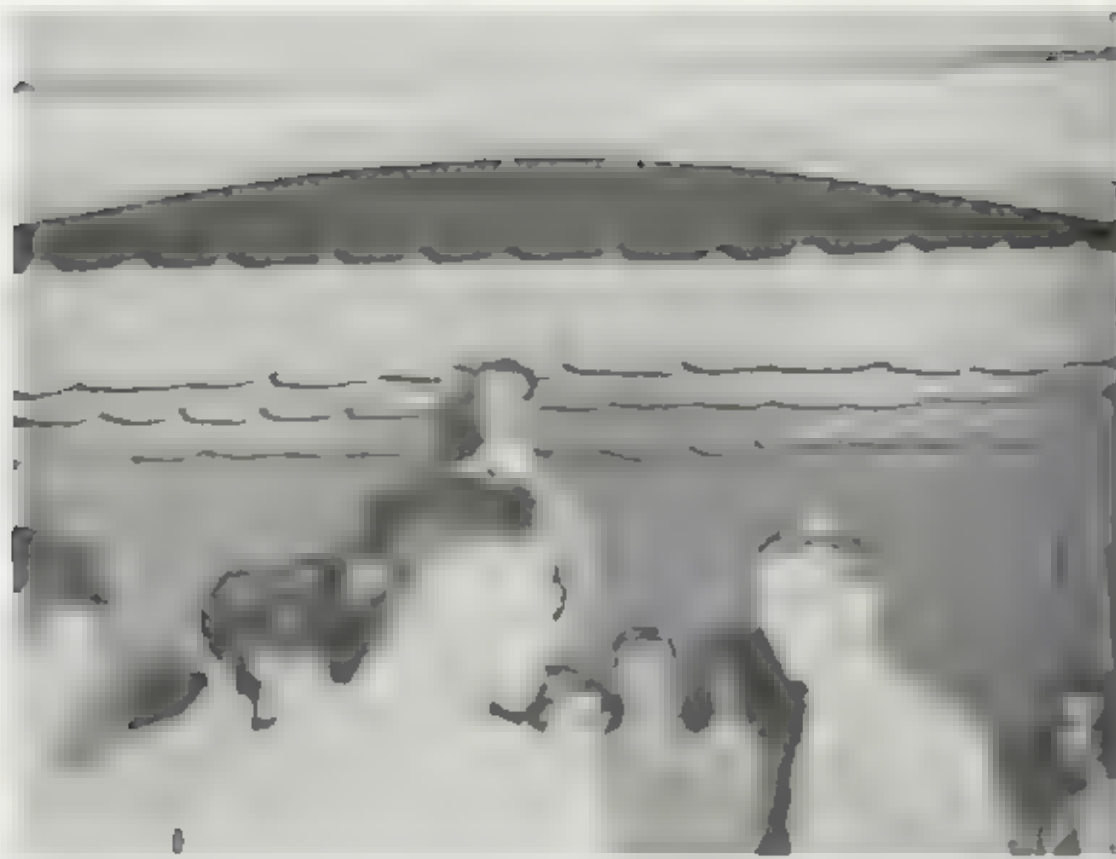




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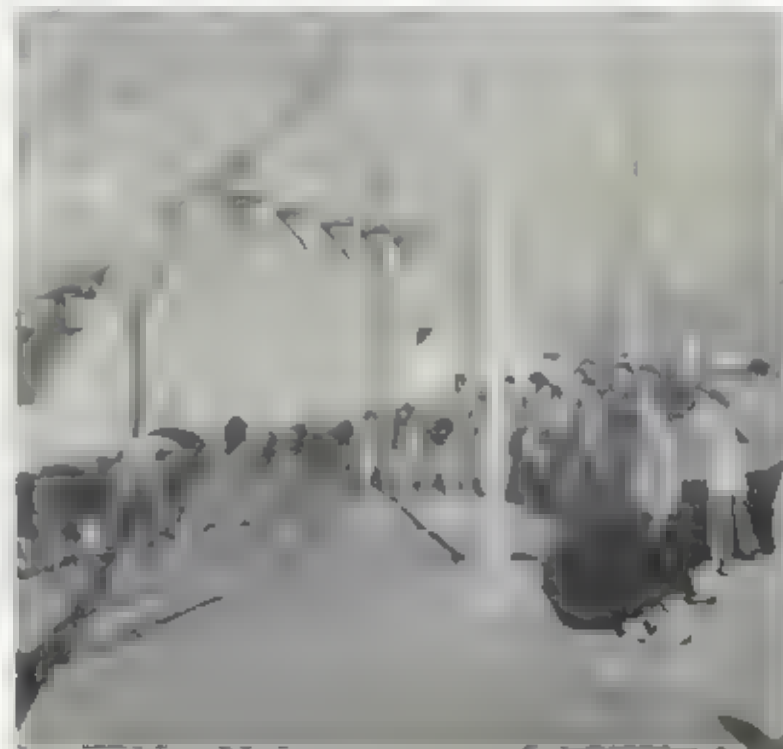
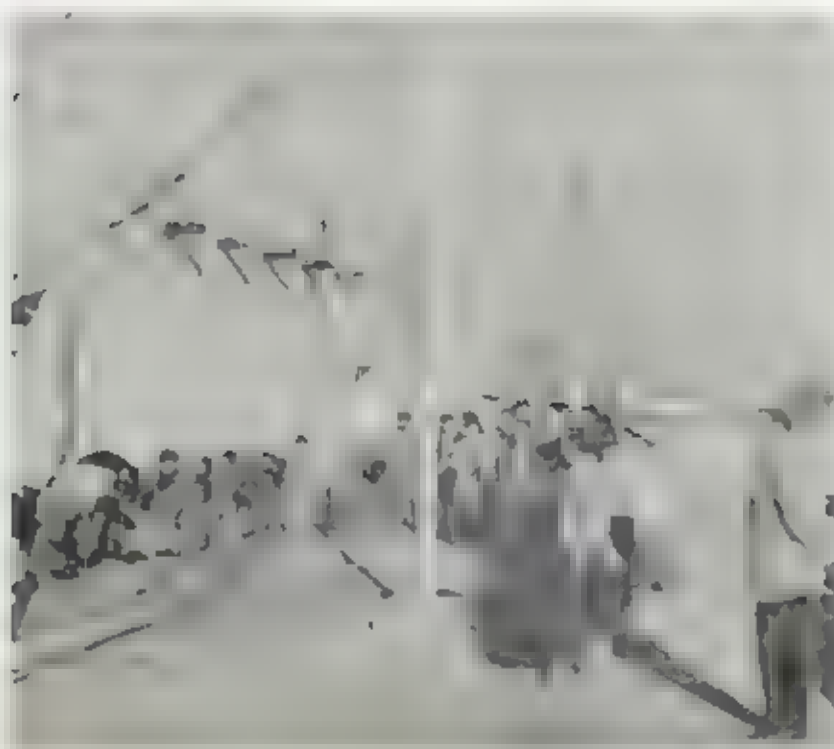
"Father of the Bride"

THIS YEAR Mrs. Anne Witzleben, Dramatic Coach, produced a three-act comedy called *"Father of the Bride."* It drew a large crowd, and was enjoyed by everyone who came. Quite amusing, it moved along fast enough not to be boring. The cast included: *Edward Moritz*, father of the bride; *Marilyn Maxwell*, mother of the bride; *Nancy Garner*, bride; *Wayne Crawford*, groom; *Buddy Brown*, bride's brother Ben; *Glenda Holt*, Ben's fiancée; *Santos Leon*, bride's little brother Tommy; *Roby Dick*, Tommy's friend; *Bill Moritz*, Missoula the caterer; *Dorothy Rushing*, Delilah the maid; *Frank Solper*, *James Hamilton*, *Fred Turk*, and *Mike Garcia*, the caterer's helpers; and *Berta Benefield* as Mrs. Poulitzski, the dressmaker.



Senior Color Day

THE CLASS OF '55 has started a new tradition around N.Y.C.U.H.S. Sweaters for the Senior Class. On the day the Seniors received their sweaters there was quite a celebration. The Juniors had to wear their clothes inside out, and act as slaves to the Seniors. There was a box social at noon and a dance followed to which the slaves were invited. Everyone had a grand time, and the Seniors hope that the future Senior classes will carry on their new tradition.





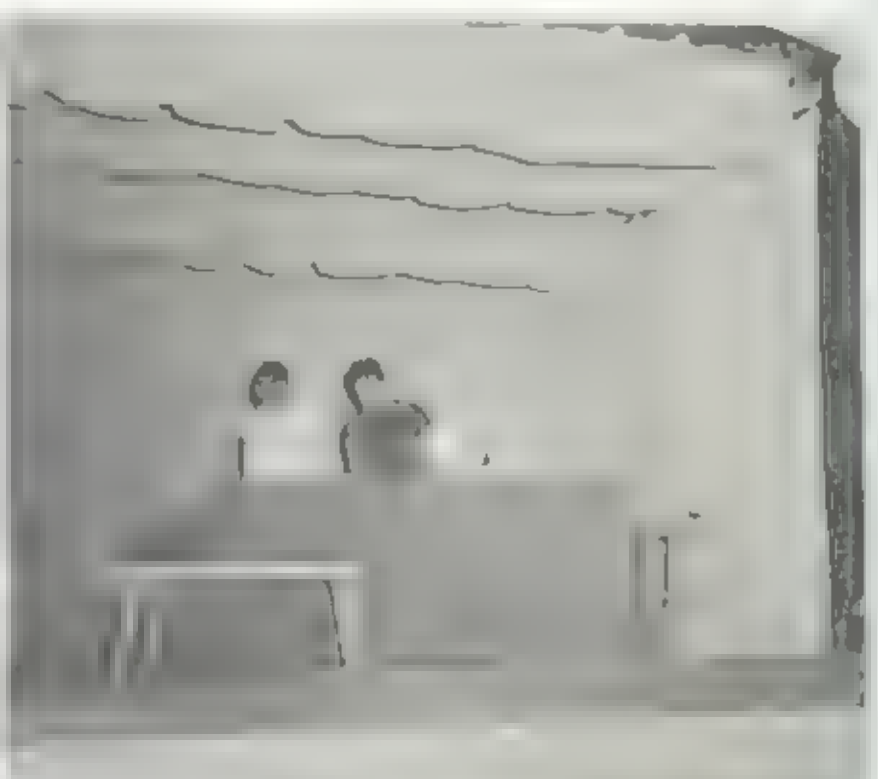
Let's have a quiet wedding, Buckley.



The first wedding gift!



Tommy, you're so sweet.



Boy, you sure ~~are~~ ^{are} good for a if you ^{are} ~~are~~ ^{are} the stuff!

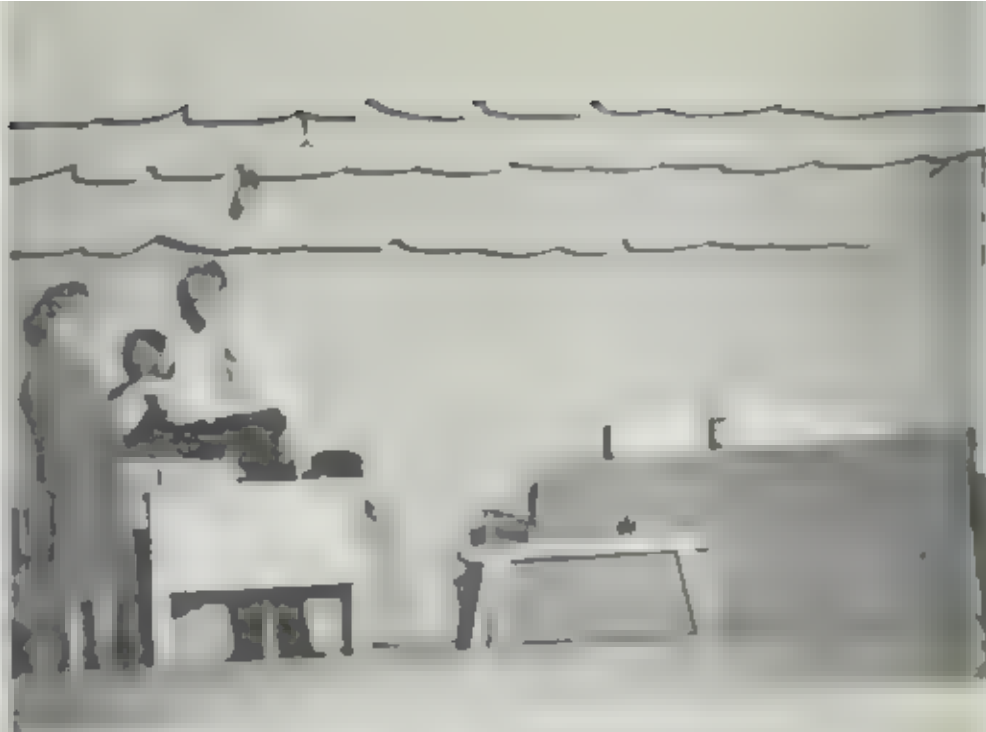
Must you really go?

I'll put it in my Bridal Book!





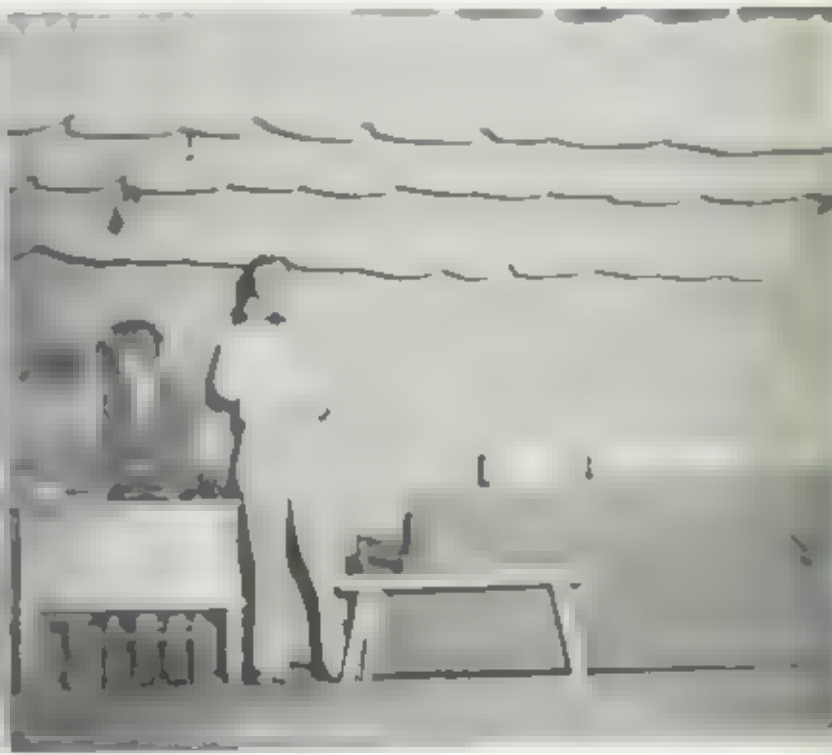
Eleven trays!



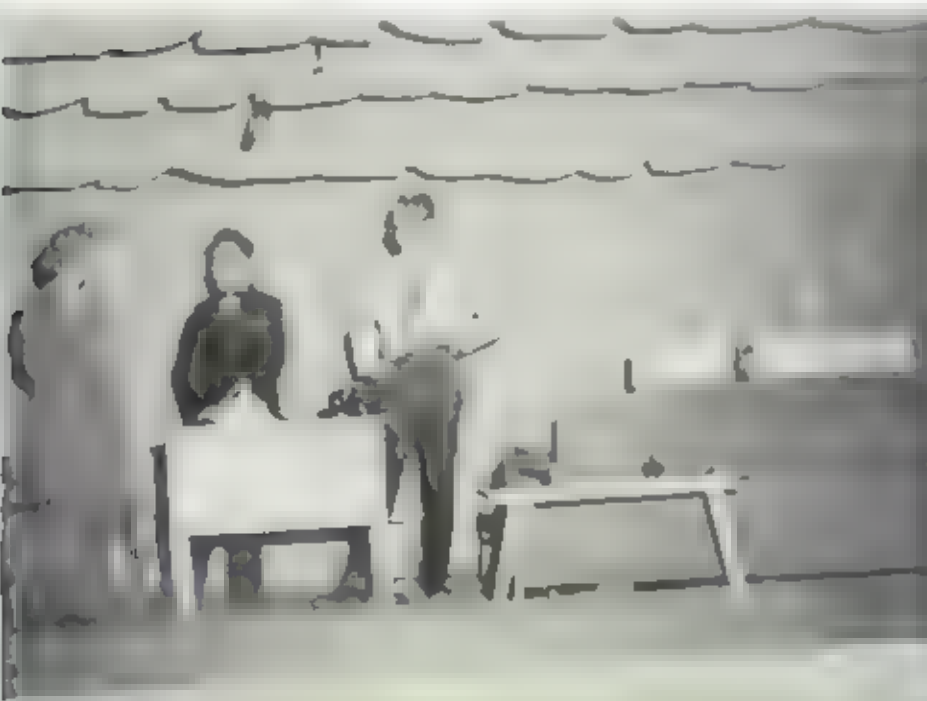
You've been into the files yourself, Stanley Banks



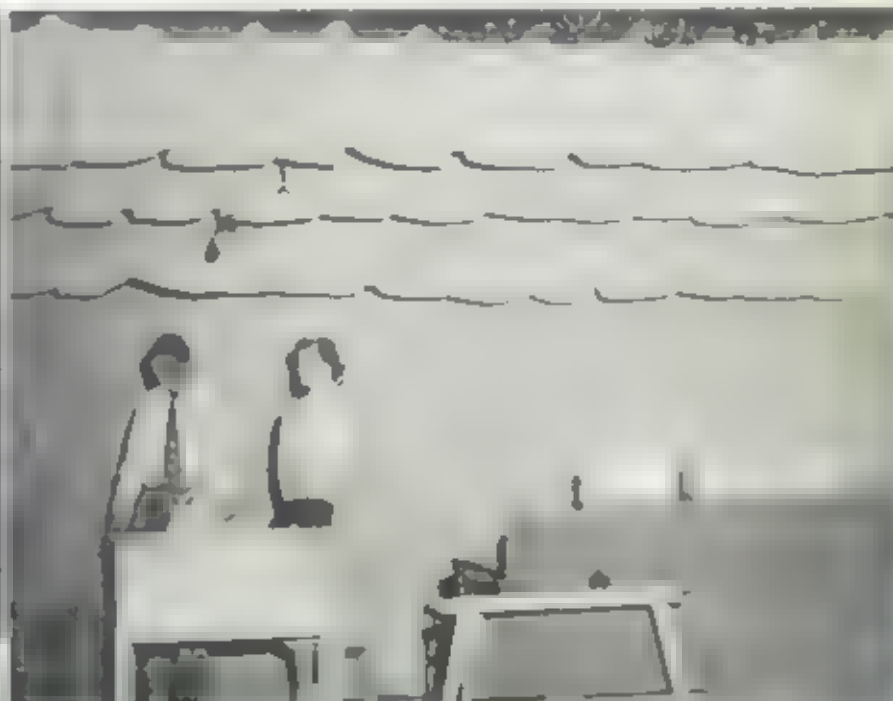
Mr. Banks, I am not Abraham Lincoln.



Let's slip in some more names



Missoula at your service, Ma'am.

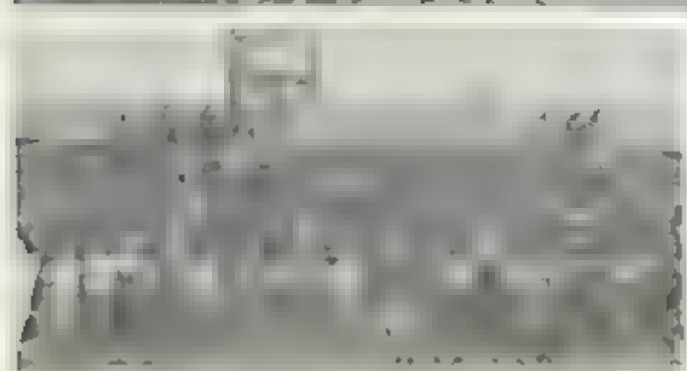
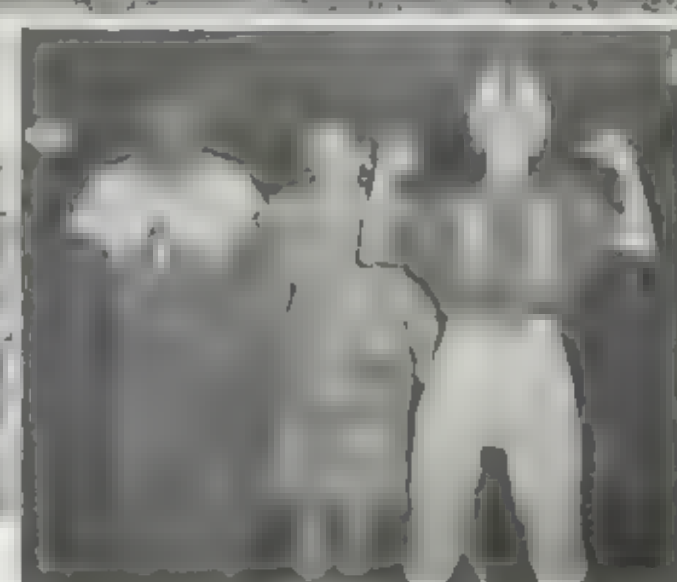
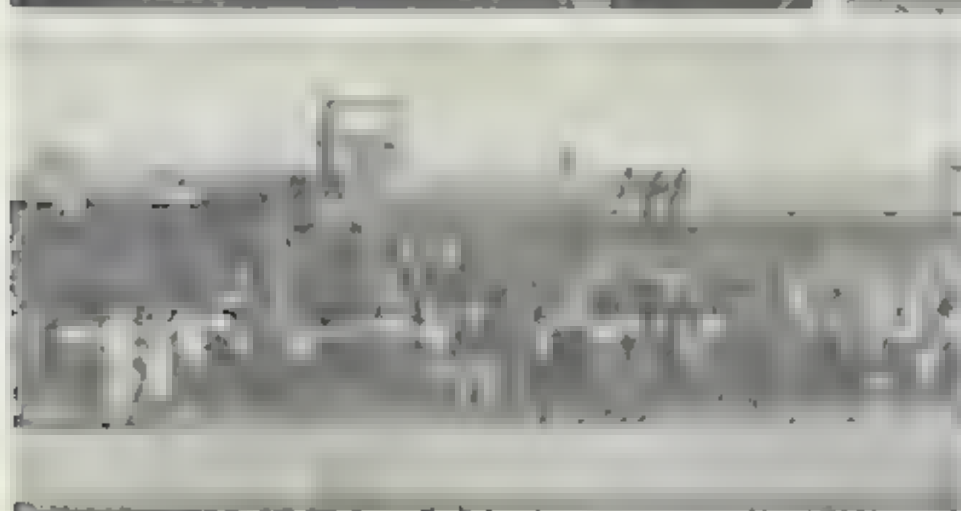
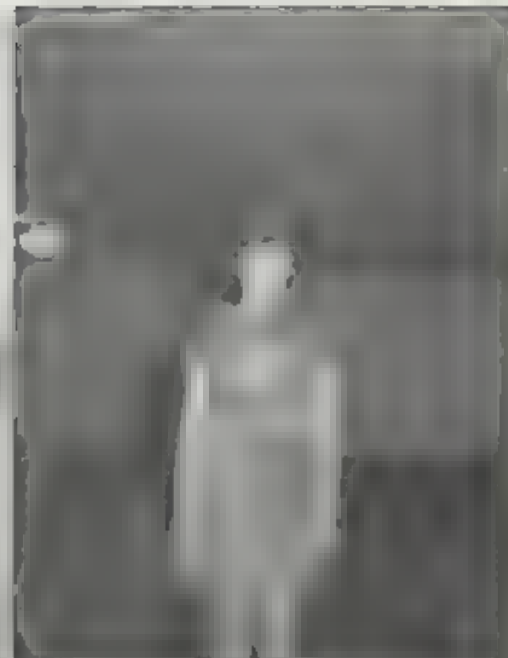


There isn't going to be any wedding



MISS LINDA DICK
Parker's representative to the
Yiwanis Salad Bowl Game





TOP ROW: *Left to Right* — Three Stooges, Three Freshies, Bunky
 SECOND ROW: *From Left* — They fed each other, too; ("Lamour Gals")
 THIRD ROW: *From Left* — Freshman Class; Cute Kids
 BOTTOM: Mob Scene



BY GUS TORRES

Sports

Courtesy of the Parker Rainbow Girls



Football



"And when the great scorekeeper
comes,
To mark against your name,
He won't put either 'won' or
'lost'
But, how you played the game."
— Grantland Rice

Our 1954-55 Season

IT SEEMS like this quotation always appears when a team has had a losing season, and maybe that is where it was meant to be used. Winning, of course, is what you play for, but *how* you play, whether or not you win, is most important.

And so, on this keynote, we present the highlights of the 1954 season

Courtesy of Daniel-Dixon Cement Co., and DeWorth-Brown Construction Co.



LEROY ESWONIA
Senior Player



EARNEST CAMPAS
Senior Player

Seniors

MORRIS SEVADA
Senior Player



BENNY McCABE
Senior Player





LeROY SHONTZ
Junior Player



MERLE BURTON
Junior Player

Juniors

RICHARD VANEGAS
Junior Player



DAVID VANEGAS
Junior Player





IVAN GONZALES
Junior Player

ELLIOT HILL
Junior Player

Sophomores and Juniors

BOB OWINGS
Sophomore Player

DARRYL HOGAN
Sophomore Player





ADOLPH MONTIJO
Sophomore Player



TINO LEON
Sophomore Player

Sophomores

WAYNE CRAWFORD
Sophomore Player

WELLMAN SCOTT
Freshman Player





JESS JIMENEZ
Freshman Player



ERNEST ANTONE
Freshman Player

Freshmen

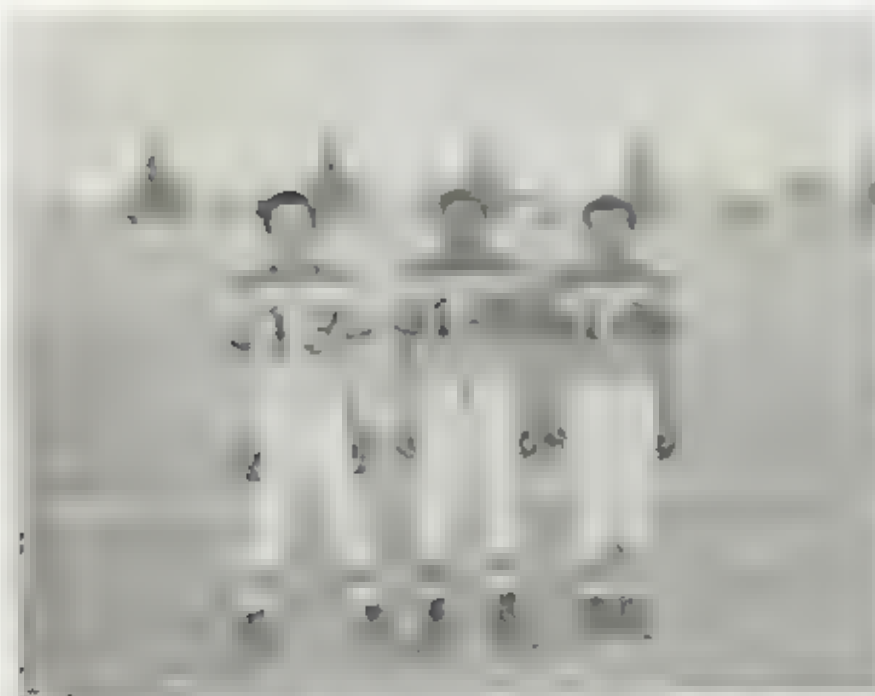
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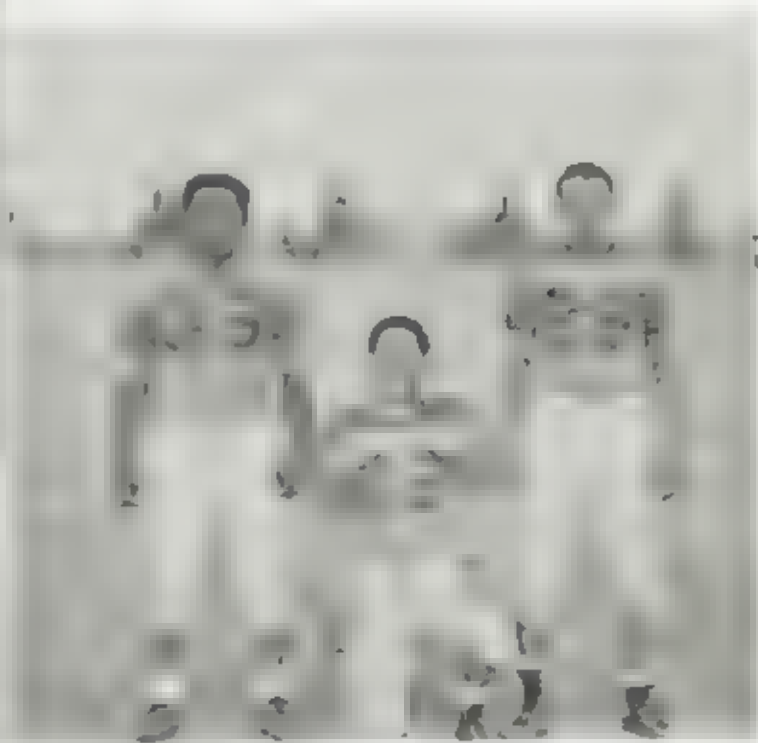


SENIOR PLAYERS Leroy Eswonio,
Morris Sevada, Louis Canpas,
Benny McCabe.

JUNIORS Mark Burton, LeRoy Shontz, Ivar Gonzales.



Adolpho Montoya, Conner Byestewa, [unclear]

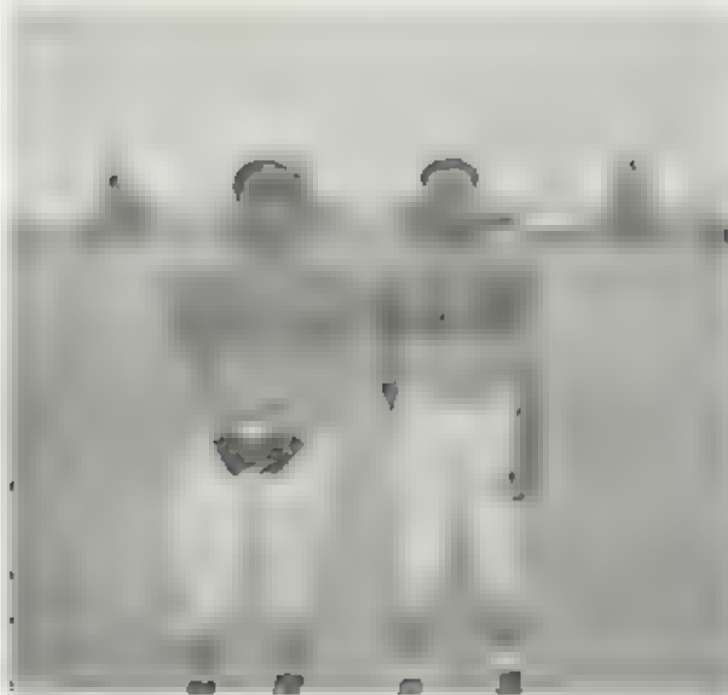


Darryl Hogan, Tino Leon, Morris Sevada

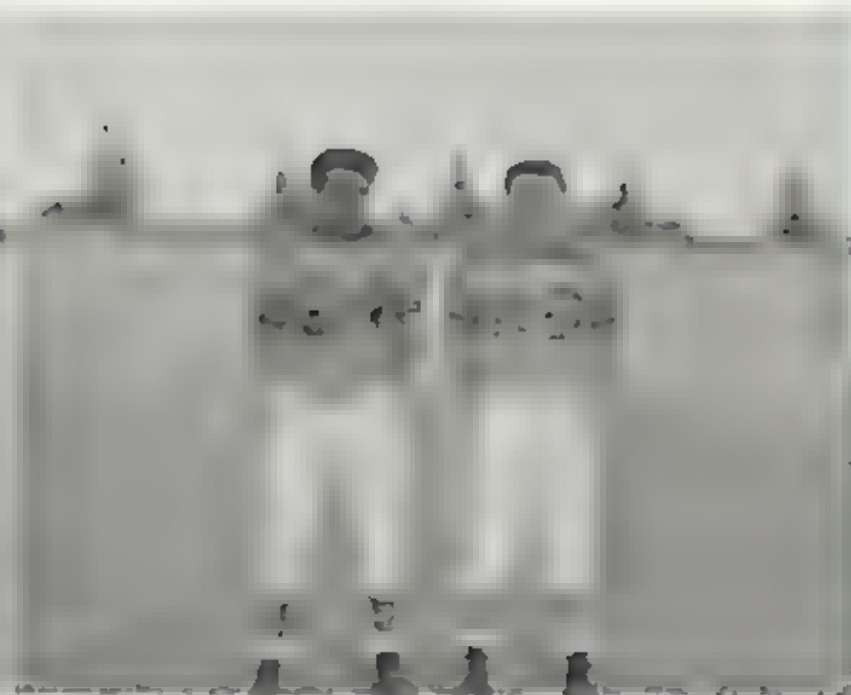


Patrick Lyttle, Charlie Maddox, Dwight Lomayesva.

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LeRoy Esmonia and Richard Vanegas



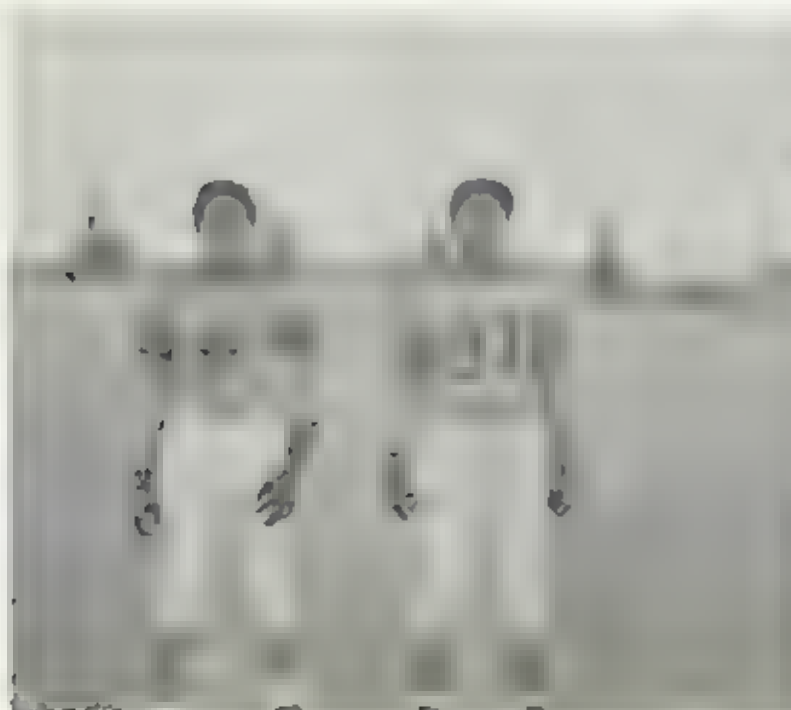
Jackie Welsh and Robert Begay



LeDun Becker and William Smith

Bob Owings and David Vanegas

Ernest Anderson and Howard Moore





SENIOR LETTERMEN LINE UP: Left to right Morris Sevada, Benny McCabe, Leroy Esmond, Ernest Campas



Coach Ridgeway gets plenty to eat

Letterman's Banquet

Leroy Esmond, only four-year letter man gets his award.



Football Co-Captains and Coaches





Hogan gets spilled by unidentified players.



Richard Vanegas, Welsh, and Begay close in on Litchfield runner



Begay tackles opposing ballcarrier with Welsh closing in.

*David Vanegas, Leon,
and Sevada tackle King-
man ballcarrier.*



*Parker single-wing
formation*

*Litchfield and Parker
scramble for the ball*



*Courtesy of
Parker Motor Co.*

and

*Mrs. D. L. Beaver
Insurance Agency*



THE BRONCS played their finest game of the season on November 10. It was Homecoming night and the Broncs entertained the Peoria team in spectacular fashion. They stopped Peoria's ace cold as they convinced themselves and the townspeople that Parker had a football team once more. The game ended in a scoreless tie, and a big morale booster for our boys



Courtesy of Havasu Distributors and Community Drug

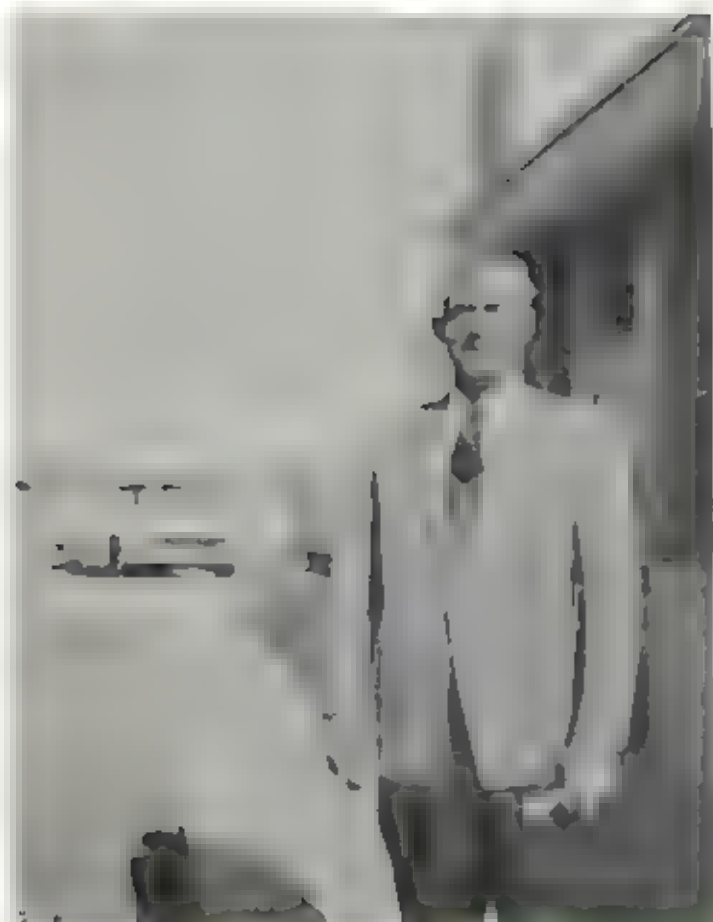


Homecoming



Basketball





HOWARD L. RIDGEWAY
Basketball Coach

William W. Wilson
was Junior Varsity Coach

Varsity

CONSTRUCTION was begun on the new gym in February, and is expected to be finished by August.

Courtesy
Mel C. Ensign
Architect





ROBERT BEGAY



CLIFTON JACKSON



BUDDY BROWN



TIMOTHY ALCAIDA



ERNEST CAMPAS



MORRIS SEVEDA



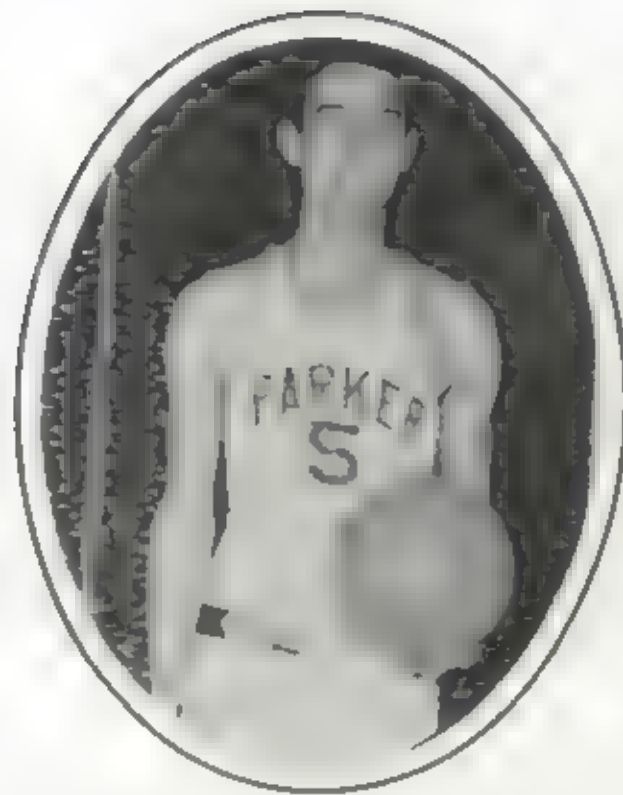
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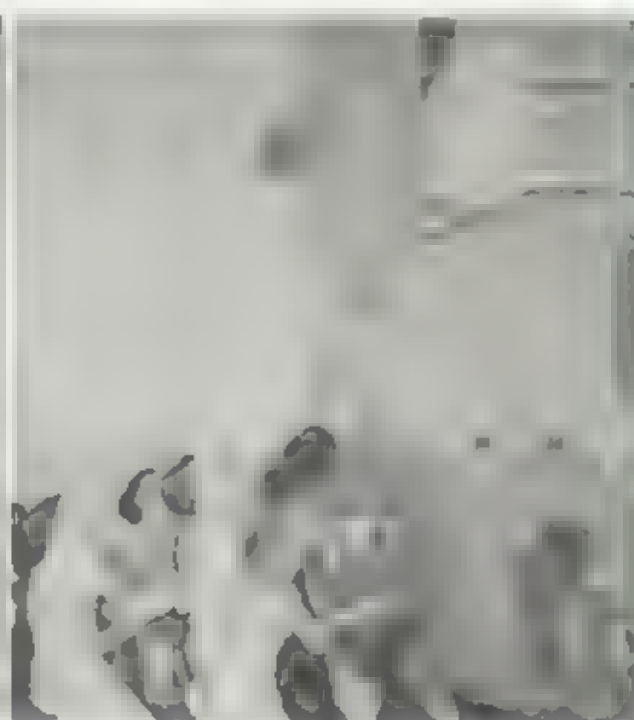
Blythe game.



Clifton Jackson shoots in Blythe game



It's a jump between Berkeley Bourke and Litchfield man.



Litchfield game



It's a jump between Robert Nez and Litchfield man.



Litchfield scores



August 1904



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WILLIAM W. WILSON
coached the Junior Varsity
on to a good season with a
record they can be proud
of.



Junior Varsity



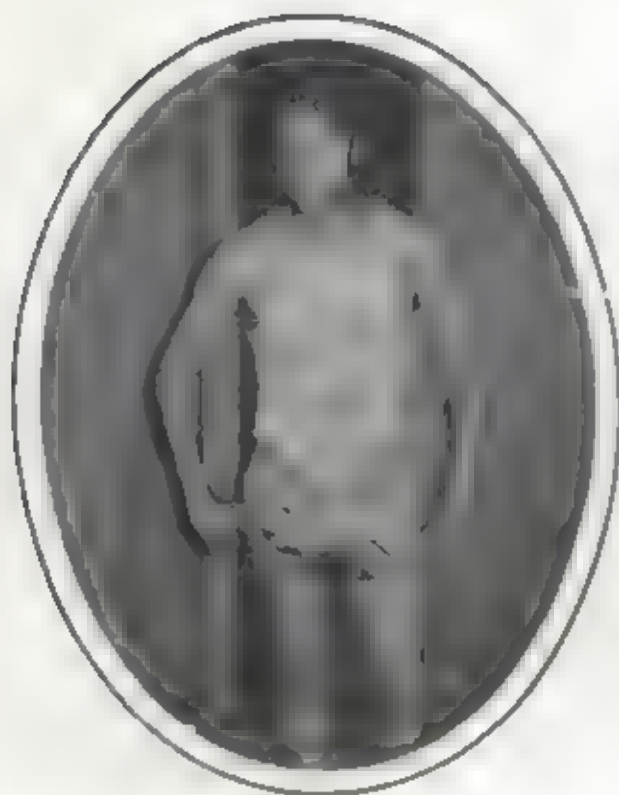
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TOMMY MARTINEZ



CARL GILLILAND



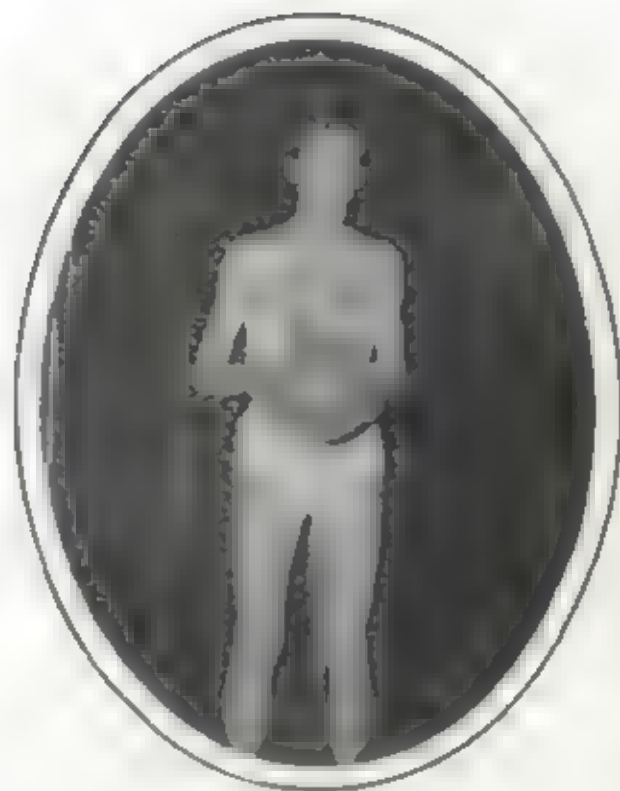
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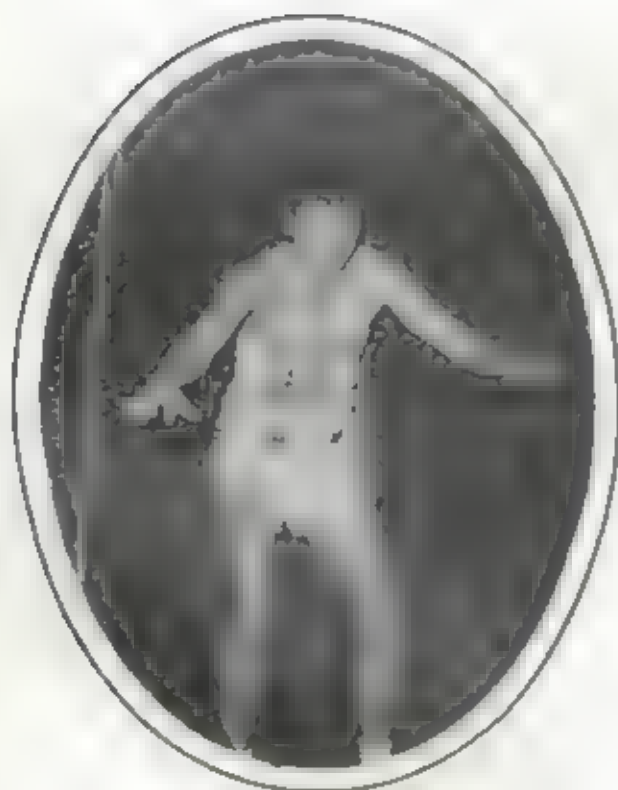
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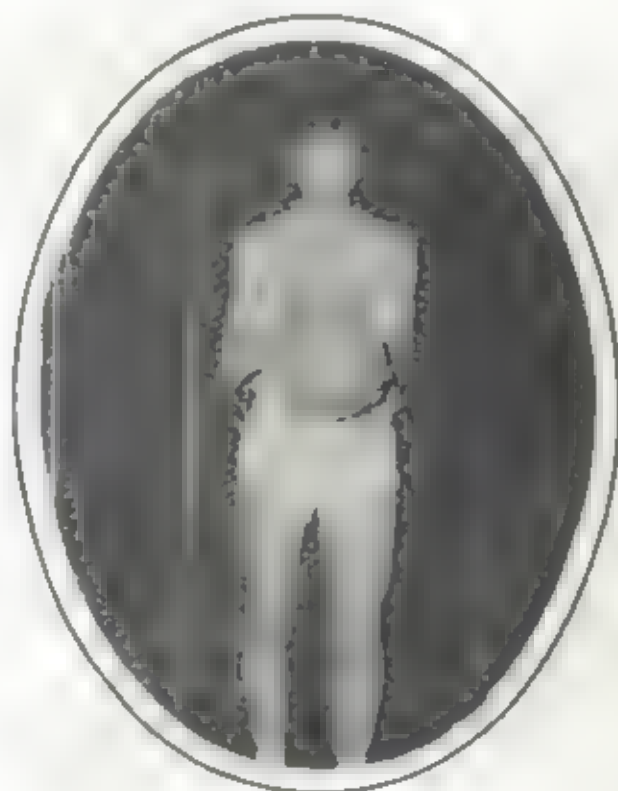
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RAYMOND ENOS



DWIGHT LOMAYEVA



Baseball

Courtesy of Glen's Market



MR. GREENE
Coach

MR. GUTIERREZ
Coach

Baseball

WITH FOUR MEN returning from last season's club, and several others who played last year, the baseball team seems to have prospects of a good season. With the reclassification of High Schools we will be better matched, and should do very well.

The team before dressing out

Managers George Eidson, Gus Torres, and Mike Garcia.





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BERKELEY ROURKE

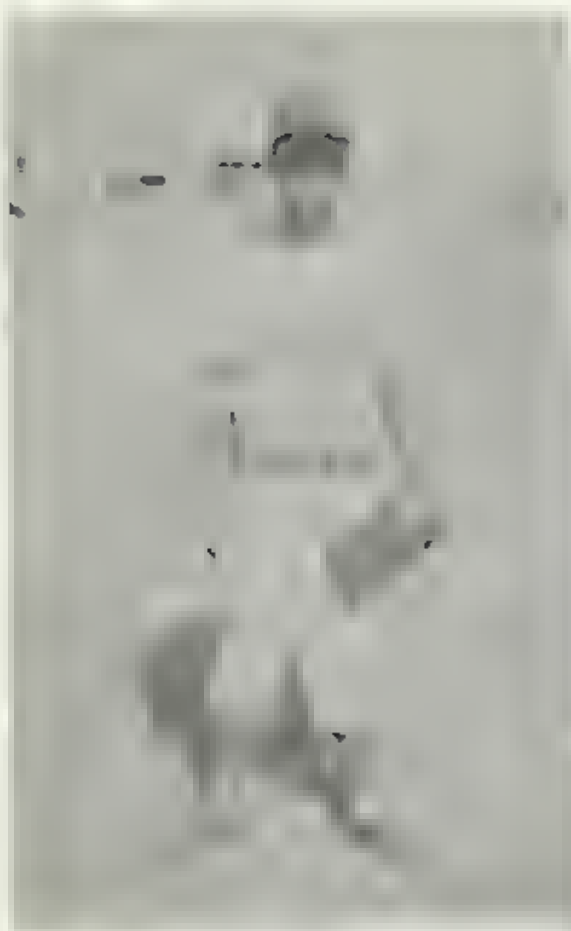
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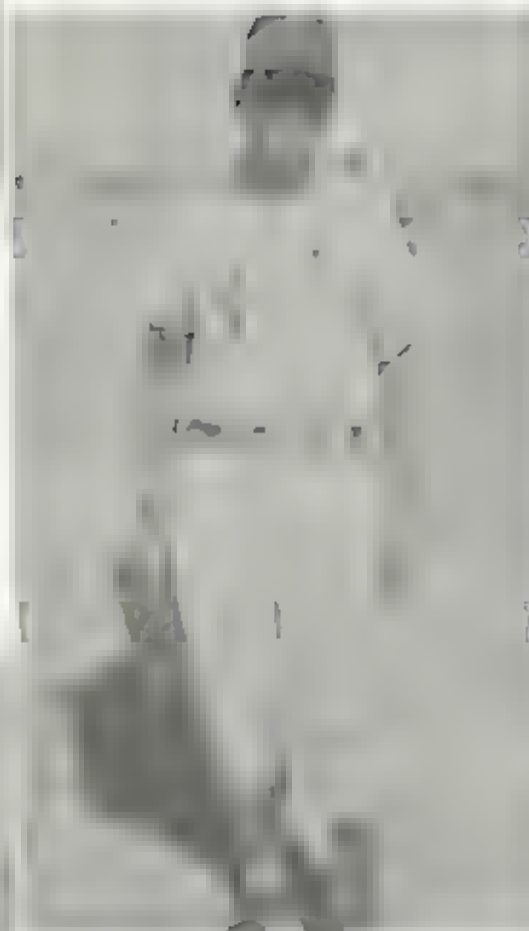




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MONTY ROACH



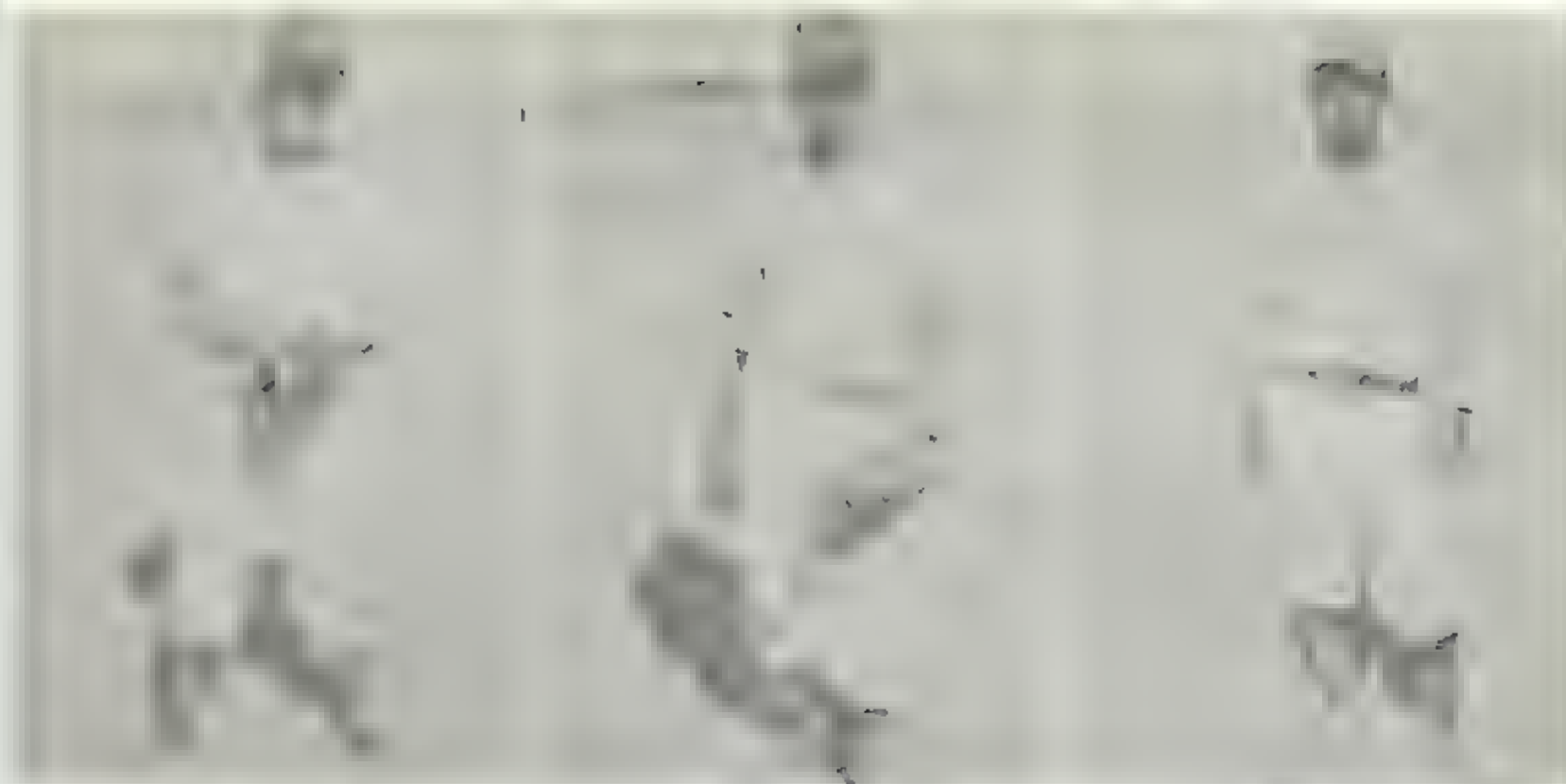
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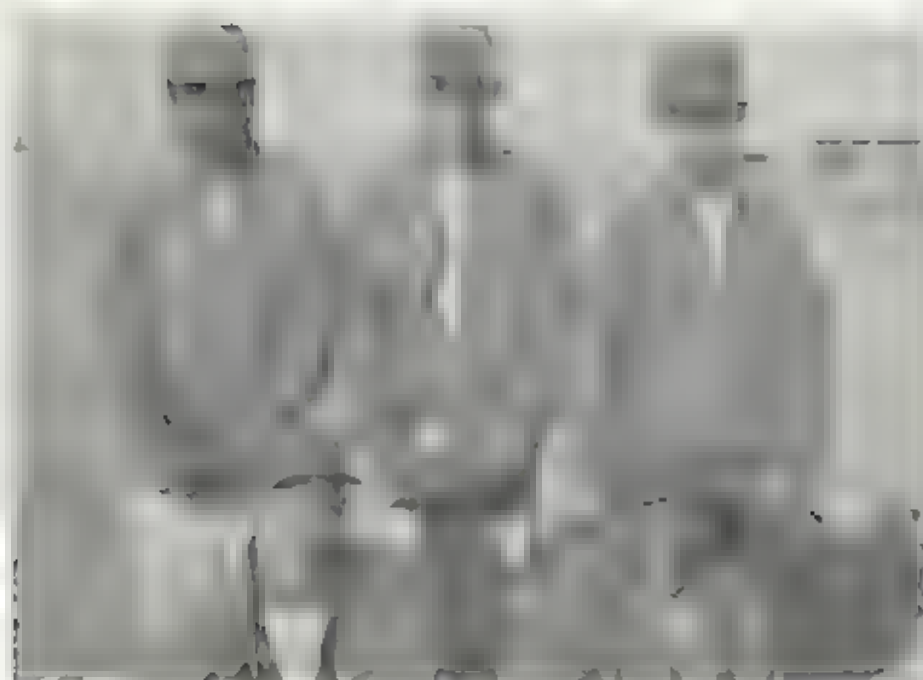
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